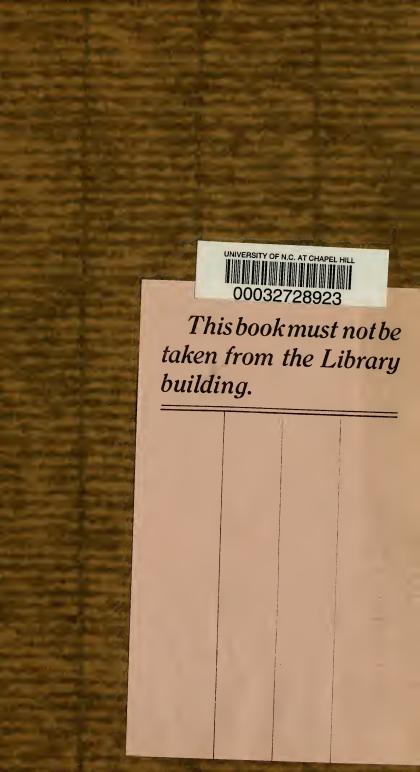


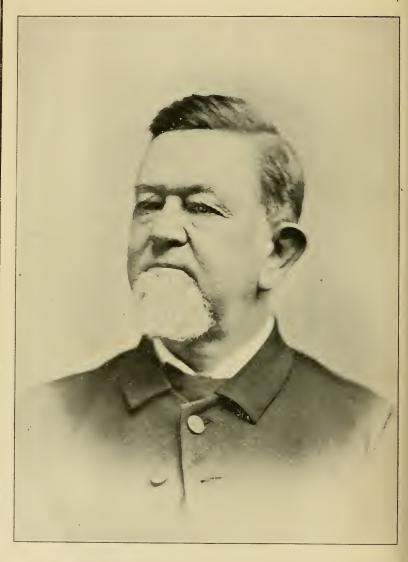
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SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

OF

NORTH CAROLINA.

HELD IN MORGANTON, N C.,

NOVEMBER 11, 12, 13, 14 AND 15, 1896.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

- I. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State in fellowship with us, or one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds: *Provided*, that no church shall have more than ten representatives, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer for the objects of the Convention. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist church in fellowship with us, and no other life members shall be made.
- 2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the Gospel in all destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.
- 3. The Convention shall meet annually, on Thursday night after the first Sunday in December.
- 4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees (who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention) shall be elected annually.
- 5. The President shall preside and enforce order in accordance with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President.
- 6. The Recording Secretary and his assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.
- 7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgment of the same each week through the Biblical Recorder; give his bond to the Trustees; forward, at least once a month, all contributions to their destination; at every meeting of the Convention make a full report of his receipts and disbursements, and, on retiring from his office, turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

- 8. The Trustees shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to or which may be acquired by the Convention, and take a sufficient bond of the Treasurer. The terms, conditions and amount of the bond shall be fixed by the Trustees, and in case the Treasurer shall refuse or neglect to give his bond within thirty days after his election, the Trustees shall have power to elect a Treasurer. They shall report annually to the Convention.
- 9. The Auditor shall, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.
- 10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention; assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.
- 11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.
- 12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention; so far as the means at its disposal will allow, supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the Gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid cannot be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes; continue, and so far as it may be able and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Sunday School Supply Store, and co-operate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.
- 13. There shall be an Auditor of the Sunday School Supply Store who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Supply Store.
- 14. The Board shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.
- 15. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.
- 16. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.
- 17. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

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FCR 1896-'97.

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North Catawba-Robert L. Moore, J. S. Gwaltney, J. H. Hoffman.

Pleasant Hill-J. I. Smith, Enola.

Zion-E. A. Poe, Cora.

Smyrna-W. P. Patton, Table Rock.

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Rolesville-J. R. Broughton.

New Hope-B. B Buffaloe.

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Marion-M. M. Landrum.

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New Prospect-T. Dixon, Shelby.

Zion-H. M. Croom, Double Shoal; A. C. Irvin, Pearl.

Boiling Springs-G. P. Hamrick, Henrietta

Shelby-G. M. Webb, T. D. Lattimore.

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Tryon Street, Charlotte—A. C. Barron, E. M. Tessier, R. H. Jordan.

Concord—J. J. Payseur.

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Chapel Hill-Joe S. Wray.

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Maxton-W. M. Jones.

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Smithfield-J. G. Pulliam, Boone.

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Bethany-F. A. Prevatt, Lumberton.

Lumberton-J. N. Booth, J. W. Cobb, J. Dan Moore, Red Springs.

SANDY CREEK ASSOCIATION.

Carthage - J. R. Moore.

SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION.

High Shoals-J. M. Goode, Mooresboro.

Bethel-Z. D. Harrill, Ellenboro.

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Mountain Grove-D. A. Whistnaut, Hickory.

Catawba-D. P. Bridges.

McAdensville-Joseph S. Fox.

Hickory-C. S. Cashwell, S. P. Hatton, B. F. Whiteside.

Maiden-J. A. Hoyle.

Penelope-C. M. Murchison.

SOUTH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Fayetteville-Charles A. G. Thomas.

SOUTH YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Statesville—George H. Church, J. C. Woodward, J. L. Kurpee, W. A. Thomas.

New Hope-S. A. Lazenby, Sigma.

Macks-J. P. Freezor.

Society-J. B. Holman, Cool Spring.

Mocksville-W. H. Graves, J. N. Stallings.

Salisbury-F. H. Myer, M. E. Parish.

Eaton's-P. P. Green, Nestor; E. Frost, Cana.

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Ebenezer—John T. Callaway, Palmer-ville. Canton—S. A. Underwood, Palmersville. Albemarle—John W. Suttle.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Henderson—J. D. Hufham, A C. Cree, T. P. Stewart. Louisburg—W. B. Morton. Ephesus—G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield. Plymouth—Frank T. Wooten.

THREE FORKS ASSOCIATION.

Cove Creek—J. J. L. Sherwood, A. C. Sherwood, Yerger. Boone—W. C. Coffey.
Three Forks—L. N. Perkins.
Flat Top—I. N. Corpening, Blowing Rock.

UNION ASSOCIATION.

Monroe—Hight C. Moore.

Pleasant Hill—R. H. James, Reuben.

Olive Branch—T. P. Little, Marshville.

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Murfreesboro—C. W. Scarborough. Seaboard—Archibald Cree.

YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Mountain View-K. Thompson, Low Gap.

MINUTES

OF THE

Morth Carolina Baptist State Convention

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION.

MORGANTON, N. C., Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1896.

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-sixth Annual Session with the Baptist church in Morganton, on Wednesday afternoon, November 11th, at 3:30 o'clock.

President R. H. Marsh called the Convention to order, and requested John E. Ray to conduct opening exercises.

Bro. Ray read the 122d Psalm and offered prayer.

On motion, a Committee on Enrollment of Delegates was appointed as follows: J. Q. Adams, C. S. Blackwell, R. L. Patton, J. R. Moore, J. A. Campbell, G. L. Merrell and J. W. Suttle.

The Committee having performed its work, reported 104 delegates present.

J. H. Lamberth moved that J. W. Carter cast the vote of the delegates for R. H. Marsh for President.

The motion was unanimously adopted and the duty performed.

A committee, consisting of W. R. Gwaltney, E. F. Jones and A. Cree, was appointed to nominate the remaining officers of the Convention.

The Committee after consultation reported the following, which was unanimously adopted.

Vice-Presidents, Rev. T. E. Skinner, D. D., John C. Scarborough and Rev. J. A. Mundy.

Recording Secretaries, N. B. Broughton and Hight C. Moore.

Treasurer, J. D. Boushall.

Auditor, W. N. Jones.

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. John E. White.

Trustees, Rev. W. C. Tyree, C. M. Cooke, Rev. L. Johnson, T. H. Briggs and L. R. Mills.

On motion, a committee was appointed on Order of Business as follows: W. C. Tyree, C. W. Scarborough, J. E. White, B. W. Spilman, J. C. Caddell, C. W. Blanchard and A. D. Hunter.

R. L. Patton, pastor of the Baptist church of Morganton, delivered an address of welcome to the body.

By request of the President, response was made by S. E. Williams, of Lexington, on behalf of the Convention.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: W. H. Whitsitt, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; R. G. Seymour, Bible Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.; A. E. Dickenson, Editor of Religious Herald, Richmond, Va.; James F. Edens, Field Editor of the Christian Index, Atlanta, Ga.; George P. Bostick, Missionary to China; John D. Jordan, Secretary of Southern Baptist Young People's Union, Birmingham, Ala.; W. Ward, Asheville, N. C.; W. Y. Quisenberry, Associate Editor of Baptist Reflector, Nashville, Tenn.; S. C. Mitchell, Professor of Latin in Richmond College, Richmond, Va.; J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; S. C. Owen, J. R. Pendergrass, W. W. Jones, E. J. Harrell, M. A. Adams and M. P. Matheny, of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention; P. F. Maloy, District Missionary of Colored Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

The Committee on Order of Business made a partial report, as follows:

Your committee submits the following Order of Business:

WEDNESDAY.

7 P. M.—Introductory Sermou. At conclusion of sermon, Dr. J. M. Frost will speak on the work of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

THURSDAY.

9:30 A. M.-Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.-Report of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

10:15 A. M.—Report of Committee on Periodicals.

II A. M .-- Report on Foreign Missions.

12:30 P. M. - Address by Dr. Seymour on Bible and Publication Society.

I P. M .-- Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.-Miscellaneous Business.

3 P. M.—Address by Dr. W. H. Whitsitt on Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

4 P. M.-Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

7 P. M.-State Missions and Sunday Schools.

The report was adopted.

On motion, adjourned till 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at the hour appointed.

After singing, J. H. Lamberth read selections from Romans 3 and Ephesians 6, and President Marsh led in prayer.

The introductory sermon was then preached by J. B. Richardson, of High Point. Subject—"The Unchanging Christ." Text—"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever."—Heb. 13:8.

The President announced the following committees:

On Periodicals.—L. Johnson, J. A. Muudy, K. Thompson, A. C. Sherwood, W. C. Coffey, W. C. Meadows, Isaac Oxford.

On Foreign Missions.--A. C. Cree, T. Dixon, E. M. Tessier, A. L. Phipps, W. B. Upchurch, C. H. Durham, J. F. McDuffie.

After remarks by A. E. Dickenson, the body adjourned, with benediction by J. A. Mundy, of Reidsville.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted at 9:30 by W. H. Whitsett, of Louisville, Ky.

At 10 o'clock President Marsh assumed the chair and called the body to order.

The journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, read the annual report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. Printed copies were distributed over the house. The report was received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

With gratitude to God for His abounding mercy and unfailing providence, we submit our Sixty-Sixth Annual Report.

STATE MISSIONS.

For the first time in its history the Convention assembles on its western border under the shadow of the Blue Ridge. From this point of elevation and wide outlook we survey the field we have occupied and the work we have been enabled to accomplish during the Conventional year now ended.

We rejoice to report the progress made and the prosperity which has attended the effort Baptists are making in North Carolina to establish the cause of Christ and the truth.

The Associations have been well attended, the discussions have been enthusiastic and well received, and the general spirit among the churches and the brethren has been of such a nature as to promise earnest work during the coming year. We rejoice especially to report the spirit of harmony which has prevailed in our ranks. The discussion of mission methods has largely subsided. Such discussion as we have had has been generally good-tempered and fraternal. The indications are that our Baptist brotherhood is more compact, more united, and less likely to be swerved from loyalty to our

organized work, and that the idea of Baptist interdependence and co-operation is too strongly intrenched in the hearts and minds of Baptist people to be disturbed. God has blessed our Mission work richly. Never in all the history of the Board have we been in greater need of His divine help and guidance, and never have we closed a year with deeper sense of His leadership in the affairs committed to us. For this God be praised!

Our Secretary, elected by the Convention at Greensboro, has been received wherever he has gone with the greatest kindness. The Associations have heard with appreciation and sympathy what he has had to say to them about the work, and have responded to his efforts by larger pledges for the work next year.

We are encouraged to hope that we are entering on a period of decided peace, progress and prosperity throughout our entire Zion.

THE DEAD.

Since your last session the following brethren have rested from their labors and have gone to their reward:

Ministers.—Edmund Tilley, of Caldwell County; Geo. W. Harmon, of Weldon; T. S. Andrews, Haynes Lennon, Jacob Shadd, of Parson's Grove church, near Lilesville; E. C. Melton, of Cumberland; Jos. G. Barkley, E. I. Davis, T. H. Pritchard, G. S. Best, G. W. Hill, D. C. Murchison, J. H. Caudle, Jesse Howell.

Laymen.—W. B. Clements, T. S. Memory, Richard Peed, John Meadows, Pinkney Meadows, A. M. Lewis, John G. Morgan and R. H. Moore.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Your Board earnestly calls attention to the fact that enough money has not been received for State Missions during the year to meet our obligations to the missionaries employed. Though a strenuous effort was made to avoid it, and earnest and persistent appeals made for money to prevent it, we are compelled to report a debt of \$2,350 to our missionaries.

REASONS FOR THIS.

In our efforts to secure from the churches and the brethren the funds to meet our obligations, we have had to contend with the hardest conditions in our history.

1. Dr. Durham's sickness, and his lamented death which followed, occurred in the midst of the Associational season, and he was able

to attend only twelve of our forty-four Associations. The work suffered because of this, and the churches did not pledge as largely as usual for State Missions.

- 2. We have been for the entire eleven months in the severest financial stringency. Money has been unprecedentedly scarce. Hard times have prevailed in every section of the State. "Hard times" makes itself felt first at the house of God. Our brethren in many instances have not felt able to give as largely as usual—not from lack of sympathy with the work, but because of absolute inability to raise the money.
- 3. A distracting political campaign has been waged for four months, which has contributed no little to the falling off of our receipts. People have been excited, business has been at a standstill, and the general effect has been discouraging to earnestness and single-mindedness in the discharge of Christian duty and obligation. This political excitement reached its highest point just at the time we would, under ordinary conditions, have expected our largest receipts. In the teeth of it, special appeals could not be made effectual and our efforts did not meet with the response hoped for.
- 4. Not the smallest of the reasons which have contributed to force us to report a debt is the fact that the Convention meets a month earlier than last year.

While we have had to meet the obligations of a twelve-months' work, we had only eleven months in which to get the money to meet them.

The month of November, during which last year the Treasurer acknowledged \$4,574.49 for State Missions, we could not have to help our showing. This month is the best month of all the twelve for our finances, as an examination of the Treasurer's books for ten years past will show, and our churches and individual brethren are better able than at any other time to respond to the needs of the work.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Board, in view of this debt and the fact last stated above, make the following recommendations to the Convention:

1. That the Convention meet hereafter according to Constitution (section 3, page 4, of Minutes), "on Thursday night after first Sunday in December." At the Convention in Goldsboro in 1891, after extended discussion, the clause of the Constitution was adopted, and we are convinced that experience has shown it to be for the best interests of our work.

2. We further recommend that the thirty days following the adjournment of this session of the Convention be set apart for the effort to pay off the indebtedness to our missionaries, and that all our churches and Sunday Schools be urged to take, during this thirty days, a special collection for this purpose. This will enable us to proceed with the next year's work without embarrassment or disarrangement. With the hearty co-operation of our pastors we believe the amount needed can be raised without difficulty.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

The following are the names of the missionaries at work this year, and the Associations in which their work was located:

ASHE AND ALLEGHANY—T. M. Duncan, J. C. Carper and J. W. Burchett.

ATLANTIC-J. W. Rose, R. D. Carroll, J. W. Nobles, W. F. Fry, Benjamin Ward, C. J. D. Parker.

BEULAH-C. R. Taylor.

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN-

CALDWELL-I. W. Thomas, John H. Nelson.

CAPE FEAR-W. S. Ballard.

CATAWBA-J. I. Shinn.

CEDAR CREEK-W. R. Johnson, E. C. Melton.

CENTRAL AND RALEIGH—A. L. Betts.

COLUMBUS-J. F. Tuttle, J. A. Smith.

CHOWAN—W. R. Carawan, M. O. Carpenter, N. P. Stallings, G. G. O'Neill.

EASTERN—J. B. Harrell, W. L. Tart.

ELKIN—Grant Cothren.

French Broad-John Ammons, L. J. Bailey, A. J. Sprinkle.

Green River—M. M. Landrum, J. C. Sorrells, G. W. Settlemire, M. A. Harvey.

KINGS MOUNTAIN-G. M. Webb, J. M. Bridges.

LIBERTY—W. H. Rich, H. Sheets, J. A. Summey, H. Morris, M. J. Leach.

LITTLE RIVER—H. W. Graham, Allen Betts, A. N. Campbell.

MECKLENBURG AND CABARRUS—D. W. Thomasson, J. J. Payseur, L. R. Pruitt, J. R. Hankins.

MONTGOMERY-G. L. Merrell.

Mount Zion—J. F. McDuffie, J. M. Hilliard, W. A. Smith, R. Van Deventer.

PEE DEE—W. J. Fulford.

PIEDMONT—S. F. Conrad, James Jordan, J. B. Richardson, L. Johnson, J. L. Lane.

PILOT MOUNTAIN—W. H. Wilson, Henry Sheets, N. J. Matthews, R. M. Loftis, C. W. Glidewell, N. S. Jones, S. F. Conrad.

RALEIGH—J. G. Pulliam, W. H. Davis, W. M. Page, G. W. Coppedge, W. M. Sorrell, N. Y. Chappell.

SANDY CREEK-J. R. Moore, C. L. Greaves.

SOUTH FORK-J. A. Hoyle, C. S. Cashwell.

SOUTH RIVER -John Prevatte.

SOUTH YADKIN-N. S. Jones.

STANLY-J. W. Suttle, W. F. Hathcock.

TAR RIVER—W. V. Savage, F. T. Wooten, J. R. Pace, E. J. Edwards, J. W. Sledge, T. A. Floyd, A. G. Wilcox, J. A. McKaughan, J. W. Powell, J. K. Fant, J. K. Howell.

WEST CHOWAN-M. L. Green, B. Leggett, S. B. Barnes.

YADKIN-J. H. Lewellen, E. J. Adams, J. P. Griffith, A. Davis.

STATISTICS OF WORK.

Number of missionaries		98
Sermons preached	9,	603
Churches supplied		196
Out-stations supplied		188
Religious visits	14,	820
Baptisms	1,0	036
Added by letter		589
Protracted meetings		199
Conversions	Ι,	550
Churches building		116
Churches finished		19
Churches organized		27
Value of church property on fields \$	100,178	00
Bibles and Testaments distributed	9	958
Tracts distributed	5,4	494
Paid on salaries of missionaries	\$6,144	11
Paid on churches building	\$11,027	91
Collected for State Missions	\$1,237	84
Collected for Foreign Missions	\$395	63
Collected for Home Missions	\$266	98
·Collected for Education	\$232	43
Collected for Orphanage	\$444	42
Collected for other objects	\$1,220	53

CHURCHES BUILT.

Below is a statement of churches built during the year, including those not on mission fields:

Dedicated.—Baptist Chapel, Winston; North Rocky Mount, Creedmore, Maiden, New Castle, Vandemere, Ramoth Gilead, Carey Church, near Henderson; Emmans, near Goldsboro; Shiloh, near New Castle; Macedonia, near Trap Hill; Shiloh, Atlantic Association; Oregon, Beaufort County; Newton, Holloways, North Cove, McDowell County; Hermon, Union County.

Buildings (Planned, in Progress or Completed).—Colfax, Pleasant Hill, Mission Chapel, near Elizabeth City; Jerusalem, Davie County; Severn, Adrance, Ellisboro, Shore, Cherryville, Central Falls, Ellis' School House, near Salisbury; Holt's Mills, near Fayetteville; Sanford, Roanoke Rapids, Friendship, near Charlotte; Twelfth Street, Charlotte; North Mission, Greensboro; Pilot, Raleigh; Caraleigh, Raleigh; Southside, near Winston-Salem; Mt. Horne, Cherryville; Washington, North Rocky Mount; Sandy Creek Church, Franklin County.

Organized.—Sods, Swansboro, Creedmore, Sherwood School House, Friendship, Dover, Carey, near Henderson; Halifax, Sherwood, Pee Dee, near Rockingham; Severn, Durham School House, near Trap Hill; Thaniels, church five miles from Concord; two churches came over from Adventists: Webbo Chapel, Gaston County; Startown, Twelfth Street Charlotte.

Durham, Oxford and Franklinton have handsome new edifices, First Church, Raleigh; Baptist Tabernacle, Raleigh; Burlington, Fayetteville, Davis' Store, High Point, Shady Grove, and others have remodelled or added room. Statesville has secured a parsonage.

New houses of worship are on foot at Edenton, Warrenton, Tabernaeles, Newbern and other points.

CO-OPERATION WORK FOR COLORED BAPTISTS.

At the last session of the Convention the following report was unanimously adopted:

"Your Committee appointed to consider and report the proper action to be taken by the Convention of a plan of co-operation in missionary work for the colored people of this State, beg leave to recommend that which was agreed upon and proposed by the Boards

of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Southern Baptist Convention. "W. R. GWALTNEY,

"W. R. GWALTNEY,
"John C. SCARBOROUGH,
"Thos. E. SKINNER,
"R. T. VANN,

"Committee."

The year by which this "Co-operation" work is governed is the same as our Conventional year. We are prepared to report on the general effect of this work and the results accomplished.

It has been most effective in doing the work contemplated. Nothing undertaken by Baptists, North or South, has had happier effect upon our colored people. The four missionaries employed have been splendidly efficient. The Institutes have been largely attended by colored people of all denominations. Our white pastors and laymen have participated in a helpful way in these Instistutes, delivering lectures on the various topics as arranged for in the "Plan of Co-operation."

As an indication of the zeal and interest awakened among our colored Baptists in North Carolina, and the beneficial influence upon them and their work, it was reported at their recent Convention, held in Greensboro, that this year they had raised for missionary and denominational purposes *four times more* than ever before in the history of their Convention.

Rev. C. S. Brown resigned at the end of the year as General Missionary and Rev. J. A. Whitted was elected to succeed him. Rev. C. C. Somerville was selected to succeed Rev. J. A. Whitted as District Missionary for the Eastern District.

Next year our share of the expense will be considerably lessened, and so on till the three years elapse, according to the plan adopted.

Attention is called to the fact that the Colored Convention this year is to assume two-fifths of the expense, the three co-operating bodies to assume each one-fifth. There has been a re-arrangement of salaries, accordingly, on this basis. The salary of the General Missionary is \$800, instead of \$1,000 as was originally agreed to. It was found that the appropriation of \$250 for traveling expenses of the General Missionary in North Carolina is entirely inadequate, inasmuch as in the western part of the State, particularly, traveling is quite expensive. It was therefore decided to appropriate \$300 for this purpose, which is but a trifling increase to each of the co-operating bodies.

The basis of our appropriations last year was \$3,800, or \$950 for each co-operating body. Inasmuch as Rev. C. S. Brown relinquished \$400 of his salary, the actual basis was \$850. For the coming year the aggregate appropriation will be \$3,650, one-fifth of which—that is, the proportion of each co-operating body—is \$730, being quite \$200 less than the amount for which we became responsible last year. Next year the amount will be about \$100 less.

It was deemed best that, instead of making an appropriation of \$100 to each District Missionary for expenses of Institutes, \$300 be appropriated for this purpose, and the General Missionary be required to report those expenses and pay all bills of lecturers, in order to unify and simplify the financial report. Hence the General Missionary hereafter will make his report on this point, while the District Missionaries will make none.

The Corresponding Secretary attended the recent meeting of the Colored Convention at Greensboro, and had an excellent opportunity, both in the public meetings and in private conversation, to judge of the workings of the plan of co-operation. There is no doubt that it is an unqualified success. The entire State which hitherto has been broken up into separate and discordant factions, is coming together as a compact and enthusiastic body, with something definite and worthy of their highest endeavors before them. The first year of co-operation necessarily has been one of explananation and preparation, to a very large extent. Leading brethren of the State look forward with great hopefulness for larger results every way the coming year. We are satisfied that, for the same expenditure of money by us, no more satisfactory results can be found anywhere in our mission fields.

On succeeding page will be found a statistical report of the work done by Co-operation Missionaries.

SYNOPSIS OF THE WORK DONE, ETC., BY THE MISSIONARIES IN NORTH CAROLINA UNDER THE PLAN OF CO-OPERATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1896.

	Traveling Expenses Allowed. Spent Be- youd Actual Allowance.	\$62.50 \$27.56	37 50 68 06	37 50 104 89	31 25 37 71	\$168 75 \$238 22
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	Total Amount Collected.	\$153 76	728 89	555 60	309 35	\$1,747 60
for the team swells colours of the	Miles Traveled.	13.878	9,903	7,364	049'9	37,785
	Churches Visited	23	96	16	78	288
	Churches Organized.	1		į	2	8
T WITH	Candidates Received.	72	9		16	94
THE	Lectures Given.	127	165	210	114	919
7	Sermons Preached.	122	110	97	102	431
101	Institutes Attended.	25	23	13	15	92
	Weeks of Service.	52	52	52	44	200
	NAMES OF MISSIONARIES.	C. S. Brown, General Missionary.	J. A. Whitted, Eastern District	A. B. Vincent, Central District	P. F. Maloy, Western District	Totals

Letters and postals v ritten, 2,086; newspaper articles prepared, 143; pamphlets distributed, 11,800; pages, 168,000. Institutes held, 34; number of lectures, 187; ministers enrolled, 743.

The salaries and expenses itemized show only the pro rata paid by the Baptist State Convention (colored).

A NEED.

Our pastors should be informed more fully about State Missions, so as to be able to place the work before their people. They should know its history—a history rich in its record of God's favor and blessing.

They should be posted on the facts and conditions which in North Carolina make State Missions of supreme importance. They should clearly understand the fundamental character of State Mission work—its relation to Home and Foreign Missions, and to all the objects of the Convention and interests of the Baptists in North Carolina.

In order to furnish this information in convenient form, we have projected the publication of the following leaflets and tracts which we hope to have ready early in the year:

- 1. State Missions and the Scriptures.
- 2. State Missions and the Progress of the Baptists in North Carolina.
 - 3. State Missions in Eastern North Carolina.
- 4. State Missions and the Kingdom of Christ in Western North Carolina.
 - 5. Factory Missions in North Carolina.

Any facts, incidents, figures or information which would assist in the preparation of these tracts would be much appreciated by the Corresponding Secretary.

THE OUTLOOK.

For our State Mission work next year the outlook is encouraging. With one exception, every Association attended by the Corresponding Secretary the churches increased their pledges for this work.

There is evidence of increased interest in State Missions in nearly every Association in the State.

With good crops and under favorable conditions, the next year will mark a distinct advance for Christ's cause and the cause of His truth in North Carolina.

THE FIELD BEFORE US

Is wide—but not too wide—for the Gospel of Christ. It presents difficulties, but the difficulties must give way before us, if we accept the opportunities afforded and go forth, aided by the might of His all-conquering hand, to the conquest of North Carolina for Christ.

HOME MISSIONS.

FIFTY YEARS' WORK.

We give a summary of the work of the Board from its organization in 1845. We divide it into two parts, showing what was done before the Board came to Atlanta, and since that time.

The Board was at Marion thirty-seven years, and has been in Atlanta thirteen.

Missionaries sent out by the Marion Board	2,179
Missionaries sent out by the Atlanta Board	3,460
Total	5,639
Addition to churches, Marion Board	31,990
Addition to churches, Atlanta Board	91,201
Total	123,191
Churches constituted, Marion Board	310
Churches constituted, Atlanta Board	2,032
Total	2,342
Houses of worship built, Marion Board	445
Houses of worship built, Atlanta Board	709
Total	1,154

During its existence the Board has established about one-eighth of all the white churches in the Southern Baptist Convention.

In the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, and the Indian Territory there are 4,743 churches. It is safe to say that one-half of these have been constituted or materially aided by missionaries of the Home Mission Board.

There have been added to these churches 168,981 members. It is apparent, therefore, that not less than one-eighth of the numerical strength of the Baptists of the South is due to the work of the Home Mission Board.

THE FIELDS OF THE MOME MISSION BOARD.

WESTERN FRONTIER.

Nearly half the missionaries of the Board are working on the frontier of Texas, in the Indian Territory, and in Oklahoma.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

Its work among the Germans is in Baltimore, Washington City, Louisville, St. Louis, Kansas City, and interior towns in Missouri and in Texas; among the French in Louisiana and Missouri, and among the Mexicans in Texas and New Mexico.

CUBA.

Before our work in Cuba was interrupted the work comprised twenty-four missionaries, including female teachers, and a native membership of 2,775 communicants. Church organization and school work is at present being maintained on the island by the laymen and the women. Our Cuban missionaries are occupied principally at Key West and Tampa, Fla., where they are doing excellent work among the thousands of Cubans residing there.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

Its work among the native white population in the mountain region is in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia.

IN OTHER STATES.

Its work is also among the native white population in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas.

IN OUR CITIES.

Its work is in New Orleans, Jackson, Miss., Baltimore, Washington, Nashville and Memphis.

AMONG THE NEGROES.

Under the co-operative plan its work has been successfully inaugurated in the States of Alabama, North Carolina and Virginia. It is also doing some independent work among the negroes in Georgia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

LABORERS ARE FEW.

Yet no one of its fields is fully occupied, and its destitution is not half supplied.

WORK OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The labors of our missionaries this year have been attended by the influence of the Divine Spirit, so that only once before in all its history has the Board been able to report such results. The number of missionaries has been a small decrease from the number reported the previous year, but larger than any other year in the Board's history.

The baptisms have been 5,617, only 304 less than last year.

The receipts have been \$75,927.54, against \$76,770.91 last year. The estimated value of the Board's property last year was \$99,430. The increase during the present year has been \$5,150, making the present total value \$104,580.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The Board began the year with a debt of \$1,100 and ends the year with \$7,950. The indebtedness incurred during the present year is \$6,850. Of this amount \$5,150 has been invested in property in New Orleans and El Paso, leaving the actual expenditure for the present year, above receipts, but \$1,600.

SUMMARY.

Work for the past Conventional year:	
Missionaries	411
Weeks of labor	12,329
Churches and stations	1,626
Sermons and addresses	58,041
Prayer meetings	6,617
Baptisms	9,622
Received by letter	6,672
Total additions	13,295
Sunday Schools organized	372
Teachers and pupils	12,635
Religious visits	61,498
Churches constituted	207
Houses of worship built	92
Houses of worship improved	146
Amount expended on houses of worship	\$86,209
Bibles and Testaments distributed	2,595
Tracts distributed, pages	726,675

The State Boards of Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Western Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Western North Carolina, are in co-operation with us in a part or the whole of their work.

DESTITUTION.

One of the gravest difficulties in the way of our work is that people do not realize the great needs of our field. It requires no argument or even thought to convince any one interested in missions that there is destitution in China, India, or Africa. But they are so accustomed to the enjoyment of religious privileges themselves that they cannot realize that, in this favored land, there are any communities which are without such privileges. It requires facts, argument, reflection to produce the conviction that there is destitution in America as well as in foreign fields.

It is a startling thought that, as all are born without knowledge of the truth, if evangelistic efforts should cease America would become as much a pagan country as China within a single generation. It is another startling fact that, notwithstanding all that has been done by our churches and Mission Boards in the last fifty years, and the great success that has attended their efforts—though Baptists have increased from 450,000 to 2,600,000 in this Southern land—there are more unregenerate persons within the limits of this Convention than there were fifty years ago.

It is estimated that one-half the population of the South, say 10,000,000, are under Baptist influence; deducting one-fourth of this number as below the age of accountability, and the 2,600,000 church members, leaves about 5,000,000 of unregenerate persons under the influence of our Baptist churches. These we must give the gospel, or they will probably never receive it.

WHAT THE HOME MISSION BOARD ASKS.

The Home Mission Board asks for its work this year one hundred thousand dollars, and it has apportioned that amount among the States. The Board, in connection with the State Secretaries and Boards, will endeavor to secure this sum by every proper means. We are assured that this amount is far less than the ability of our people would warrant us in asking, and much short of the actual needs of our work.

The entire amount however, judiciously dispensed, would not enable us to supply the three thousand Baptist homeless churches and houses of worship. It would not enable us fully to supplement the work that ought to be done in our great cities. It would not, if Cuba should obtain her independence, supply the imperious needs of that island for the Gospel.

Three times the amount we ask would not fill the measure of the wants of the twenty-five millions of people living to-day on the field of the Home Mission Board!

And what is \$100,000 to a million and a half of Baptists? How easily could it be raised if our people have a mind to work for the Lord. May the Holy Spirit incline every heart to zealous effort for the Master's cause, both at home and abroad!

Of this \$100,000 the Board asks of North Carolina but \$6,000. We are a hundred and fifty thousand strong, and the Home Mission Board has in all the past years of its history been very generous to North Carolina.

Besides what has been done in many of our rural districts, the Board has aided our churches in Raleigh, Edenton, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Asheville, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Murphy, Bryson City, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord, Elizabeth City and other important places. Surely our Baptist people will rally warmly to the support of this Board, which has done such noble work for North Carolina. Let the \$6,000 asked be given with ready and willing hands.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God's love for a lost world caused Him to give His Son. Christ sent His disciples, and through them all who love Him, into all the world to tell of His love. A church which does not accept and, as far as possible, carry forward foreign missions, so far falls short of Christ in His spirit and commands. In order to better carry forward this work, the Southern Baptist churches organized in convention in Augusta, Ga., in May, 1845. At this convention they appointed a committee to look especially after the Foreign Mission work, which committee they called the Foreign Mission Board. This Board consists of twenty-one members living in Richmond, and one vice-president in each State. The general management of the Board is committed to the members in Richmond. The vice-

presidents in the States endeavor to awaken interest and quicken the zeal of our people.

The Board is appointed annually by the Southern Baptist Convention. The Convention, which represents the churches, has entire control of the Board—which is really only a committee to act for the Convention, or the churches which compose the Convention. The Board has a President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corsponding Secretary and Assistant Corresponding Secretary. The brethren composing the Board are earnest, active Christian men, loved, esteemed and trusted by their brethren. They are found in the following walks of life: Three professors, two lawyers, one physician, eight pastors, one banker, one broker, one merchant, one editor, one college treasurer and librarian, two seretaries of the Board. The Corresponding Secretary and the Assistant Corresponding Secretary are paid for their services. The Treasurer is paid for a part of his time. No other member of the Board receives any pay, but on the contrary all give freely of time and service and means to the great work which they love so well.

MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.

The Board meets monthly—oftener if necessary. The work which comes before them is generally first referred to committees for careful consideration. There is a Standing Committee for each one of our six mission fields. Each committee is expected to look more especially into the work and needs of the field assigned to it, and to make recommendations for the same. While the Board has respect for the reports of the various committees, still they frequently correct, amend or dissent from the reports which they bring. There are standing committees also on Finance, New Appointments, Woman's Work, Agencies, and Literature.

THE TRUE MISSIONARY.

Some seem to think almost anybody will do for a missionary. Far from it. We need to send the very best. God sent Paul, the best preacher of all, as a foreign missionary.

We need missionaries of deep piety, good hard sense, and sound bodies. We need them with lively hope, strong faith, great patience and perseverance, unbounded energy mixed with prudence and discretion. But with all these, it is necessary to have a consuming love of God and love of souls. No mortal more needs the holy triad—hope, faith and love—than the gospel missionary. One might ask, "Who is sufficient for these things?" We answer, "No one; our sufficiency is in God, but let us present to him the best we have."

In making appointments it is necessary to consider climate and the health and predispositions of the applicant. Much money can be wasted by sending good men and women to the wrong fields.

FINANCES.

The Board pays the missionaries every month. They are expected to give all of their time to the work, and hence they need more than if they worked at secular business during the week and preached only on Sabbaths. Letters of credit are sent to the treasurer of each mission station. With these letters of credit the treasurer there draws for the amount allowed, and then pays the missionaries on that field. In this way there is no trouble or danger of losing money in the mails, and the missionary knows definitely what he can expect, thus relieving him of anxiety about his living, in the midst of his many other difficulties. - If the funds are not on hand when the missionary treasurer's draft comes, it is necessary for the Board to go to the banks and borrow. We cannot let our credit be impaired, and so the missionaries suffer. As it is now, the letter of credit of the Board is good anywhere on earth. We must keep it so. The banks charge six per cent, interest for money borrowed. If our churches would do their duty and pay earlier in the year we would not have to borrow, and thus save large amounts now paid for interest.

FIELDS OF LABOR.

Below we give a tabulated statement of our work and workers in the various mission fields. We give statistics from the last annual report of the Board:

China Missions.—Canton Mission (begun in 1845): 15 missionaries, 40 native helpers, 8 churches, 907 members, 91 baptisms, 13 schools, \$1,087.81 contributions. Shanghai Mission (1847): 8 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 3 churches, 108 members, 5 baptisms, 4 schools, \$87.00 contributions. Chinkiang Mission (1880): 6 missionaries, 2 churches, 19 members, 3 baptisms, 2 schools, \$16.97 contributions. North China Mission (1860): 12 missionaries, 1 native helper, 6 churches, 232 members, 53 baptisms, \$998.57 contri-

butions. *Total for China*: 41 missionaries, 44 native helpers, 19 churches, 1,266 members, 152 baptisms.

AFRICAN MISSIONS (1850).—Lagos and interior: 6 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 6 churches, 247 members, 51 baptisms, \$457.40 contributions.

ITALIAN MISSIONS (1870).—Rome, Florence and other towns: 3 missionaries from the United States, 28 native preachers and colporteurs, 21 churches, 430 members, 79 baptisms, \$643.45 contributions.

BRAZILIAN MISSIONS.—Bahia and vicinity (1882): 3 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 4 churches, 278 members, 71 baptisms, 3 schools, \$330.00 contributions. Rio and vicinity (1884): 4 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 5 churches, 187 members, 59 baptisms, \$1,212.00 contributious. Pernambuco (1889): 2 missionaries, 70 members, 17 baptisms, 1 church. Campos (1890): 2 missionaries, 1 native assistant, 4 churches, 248 members, 126 baptisms, \$700.00 contributions. Total for Brazil: 11 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 14 churches, 783 members, 273 baptisms.

MEXICAN MISSIONS (1880).—19 missionaries, 18 native helpers, 37 churches, 1,035 members, 177 baptisms, 3 schools.

Japanese Missions (1889).—6 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 1 church, 40 members, 3 baptisms, \$20.00 contributions.

Totals.—Missionaries, 86; native helpers, 110; churches, 98; members, 3,801; baptisms, 735; contributions, \$5,553.20.

It will be seen from this report that there were more baptisms reported for last year than ever before in our foreign mission work. Surely God is blessing our efforts. Since the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the work is still prospering on the foreign fields.

OUR DEBT.

The question is often asked, How came we to be so heavily involved in debt? Brethren will remember that the Southern Baptist Convention told the Board several years ago to send out one hundred new missionaries for "Centennial Year." The Board did send out about fifty, but feared to send more. Neither they nor the Convention could foresee the terrible financial stringency which has since come over our country. Our force is now, however, reduced by death and the return home of some on account of sickness, and if our debt was paid we could easily go forward.

The following scale has been arranged for the different States. If these amounts are contributed this Convention year, we will pay all past indebtedness and current expenses for this year.

Co	m't asked nv'n Year 1896–'97.
Alabama	\$8,400
Arkansas	2,400
Western Arkansas and Indian Territory	600
District of Columbia	1,800
Florida	1,800
Georgia	16,000
Kentucky	16,000
Louisiana	2,400
Maryland	9,000
Mississippi	7,200
Missouri	9,000
North Carolina	9,000
Western North Carolina	600
South Carolina	12,000
Tennessee	7,800
Texas	12,000
Virginia	21,000
Other sources	1,400
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Total	5138,400

It will thus be seen that North Carolina is asked for \$9,000 of the whole amount needed. Surely it can be raised if we will say it shall be done. For the first six months of the year closing October 31st, only \$1,402 had been sent to Richmond. Who is to blame for this? Is it pastors or people? Let each one carefully consider for himself.

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONARIES.

North Carolina has cause for deep gratitude to God when she remembers her faithful men and women on foreign fields. The very mention of their names ought to move those who stay at home to more earnest prayer and greater effort. We give the list of those now working with our foreign mission board: R. T. Bryan and wife, G. W. Greene and wife, T. C. Britton and wife, E. F. Tatum, L. W. Pierce and Miss Lottie Price. These are all from North Carolina and are workers in China.

OUTLOOK.

Some are disposed to take a dark view of the mission work. We give a few selected notes here for the strengthening of the brethren:

"At the beginning of this century the Word of God could be studied by but one-fifth of the world's population. Now it is translated into languages that make it accessible to nine-tenths of the inhabitants of the globe. For 3,000 years there existed but three versions of the Scriptures. Now they can be read in a large portion of the 6,000 spoken languages. To-day it is said, upon good authority, that the Bible is translated into thirty times as many languages as were spoken by the disciples on the day of Pentecost. In 1804 there were in the world only 5,000,000 Bibles; in 1894 there were in the hands of mankind 286,000,000 copies of the Sacred Word, and yet in the face of such facts blatant infidelism makes the statement that the old Book is 'dying out and rapidly becoming a thing of the past.' We think it is 'dying' just the right way.''

Farrar says, "Is it not, then, perfectly erroneous to talk of the failure of missions, when they started with one hundred and twenty despised Galileans, and when now—taking the number of Protestants in the world alone, and not taking the number of other divisions of Christians—there are at least one hundred and twenty millions of Protestants, and they have in their power almost all the wealth and almost all the resources of the world."

Are the contributions for Foreign Missions falling off? No. The total gifts of Protestant Christians for Foreign Missions from the United States have increased from \$3,125,763 in 1885, to \$5,006,809 in 1895. The contributions from the whole world during the same time have grown from \$9,799,495, to \$14,441,807.

ARE WE ADVANCING?

Some people seem to think we are making little or no progress in our work. Let us look at the work of the Southern Baptist Convention as compared with a few years past. We copy from the Minutes in 1884—twelve years ago—and then give the figures for this year in a parallel column:

	1004,	1090.
Number of missionaries, native and	·	
foreign	95	195
Number of stations and out-stations	42	226
Increase in membership	175	735
Pupils in Sunday and day schools	684	2,564
Contributions on field	\$1,077 00	\$5,553 20
Receipts in this country	\$80,465 87	\$108,150 56

In 1884, the report says: "The work is expanding signally in each of the continents in which our missionaries labor. * * * Into all our advances the Board has been led seemingly by the hand of Providence. The past inspires gratitude; the future stimulates faith." This shows the year's work was considered good. Now, when we see how God has continued to bless us through these years, we ought not to complain and grow discouraged; but, rather, with earnest zeal, press forward to higher attainments and greater conquests for Him.

The power of satan will not yield in a day nor a year, but we go in this work through love, in obedience to the command of our Lord and Master. All power in heaven and earth is His and He has promised His presence. To be faithful is our part—to reward is His. To Him will be the victory. Amen!

CONCLUSION.

Baptists cannot too often be reminded that God has greatly honored them in the effort to save the world. The names of Carey, Judson, Rice, Hughes Gordon, and Yates are blazoned high on God's honor roll of Missions. To be a Baptist is to desire to obey Christ in all things. Surely then we must realize that it is poor obedience which does not include an earnest effort to preach the Gospel to every creature.

Your Board, in submitting this report, begs the sympathies and prayers of all the churches, and the indulgence and patience of the brethren. We have not done what we desired to do, but to the best of our strength we have endavored to discharge the trust reposed in us; have sought to be faithful, and have, as wisely as we knew how, met the needs of the denomination so as to secure the largest and best results to the cause.

We herewith submit the report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage, as provided by your body at its last session.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

JNO. E. WHITE,

Corresponding Secretary.

President,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

To the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

DEAR BRETHREN: The Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage, provided for at the last session of the Baptist State Convention, beg leave to report to you, and through you to the Convention, their work of the past year, as follows:

The Sunday School and Colportage work, as a separate department of the work of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, commenced April 1st. Reliable statistics of the Sunday School work not being at hand, it was hard to tell just where the work of this department was most needed. An attempt was made at once to find out in each Association which churches had Sunday Schools. Accordingly, blanks were sent out to various brethren in the Associations with the request that they be filled and returned. Many of them were returned; some were not. The nearest estimate possible now is, that there are about four hundred Baptist churches in our Convention without Sunday Schools. Added to these, are hundreds of communities where Baptist Sunday Schools might be and ought to be. The only two Associations in the State reporting a Sunday School in each church are the Piedmont and the Robeson.

The Sunday School Supply Store owed the Sunday School Board at Nashville on April 1st a thousand dollars. A proposition was made to the Store that if the amount should be paid at once a discount of ten per cent. would be given. In response to a request from the Sunday School Committee the Board at Nashville made a donation of four hundred dollars to the Sunday School work in North Carolina. The thousand dollars was at once paid and the Board sent check for five hundred dollars.

The American Baptist Publication Society increased its discounts on periodicals from fifteen to twenty per cent., and arrangements are now pending which, if effected, will greatly aid in the colportage work in the State.

By reason of the fact that it seemed not to be generally understood that our Store is a book store, as well as a Sunday School supply store, the committee, on April 23d, changed the name to Baptist Book Store.

The Sunday School Missionary has visited nine associations, has held two Sunday School Institutes, and visited twenty-four counties in the interest of the work. The outlook is encouraging.

The purpose in view is to have a well-equipped Baptist Sunday School open fifty-two Sundays in each year within reach of every individual in the State.

The Sunday School Institute feature promises to be very helpful to the work. In these institutes matters pertaining to Bible study and general Sunday School work are studied. On the quality and quantity of the Sunday School work done will largely depend the future of our denomination in the State.

For lack of funds very little has been done in the colportage work. A considerable number of brethren have on their own responsibility done colportage work in connection with the Baptist Book Store. A number of Union Meetings and Associations have done colportage work during the year. No reliable statistics can be obtained, owing to the nature of the work.

The Baptist Book Store is in charge of this department. It is owned and operated by the Baptists of the State. The purpose of this store is to furnish to our people a wholesome Christian literature. The profits of the business, above current expenses, go to aid the State Mission work. The supply department is provided so that Sunday Schools using literature may order through the Store, and thereby place in the State Mission fund the commission received, on each order. By just enough interest in our work on the part of all the pastors in the State to see that their Sunday Schools send orders for their supplies of all kinds to the Baptist Book Store, several hundred dollars would be placed each year in our mission treasury.

The general book department is prepared to furnish at publishers' prices any book published in the United States or England. There is soon to be added a department for Second-hand Theological Books.

The financial condition shows no very marked improvement over last year:

STATEMENT OF BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

Assets and Liabilities October 31, 1896.	T 1	
By amount of stock\$2,173	14	
By accounts 1,150	15	
By furniture, fixtures, etc 290 of	00	
By cash 3	64	
	-\$3,516	93
To liabilities	2,203	70
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Assets over liabilities	\$1,313	23
Donations and discounts	139	00
N P Projection	Chairman	

B. W. SPILMAN, S. S. Missionary.

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COM-MITTEE OF MISSIONS TO THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The most marked feature of the tenth year's work of the Woman's Central Committee has been the completion of the Yates Memorial Fund, an effort having been begun more than a year ago to raise an extra offering of one thousand dollars with which to send out to China a new missionary as a living memorial to Dr. and Mrs. Yates. We have now on hand more than eleven hundred dollars for this purpose, which is held until such time as the general condition of the Foreign Mission Board shall make the sending out of a new missionary advisable, or the right man to fill this important office is clearly pointed out.

With this exception, the work of your Committee has followed the same lines as hitherto. Our connection with the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has been close and beneficial. We have followed in the main the plans on which the sisters in other States are working, and in furtherance of these plans have received and distributed large supplies of literature from the Union. Societies have been steadily formed, and there is every reason to believe that those already at work are taking a deeper spiritual hold on the meaning and possibilities of Missions.

Special effort has been made to organize the children into Mission Bands, and much interest in this work of hope for the present and power for the future has been shown. To such an extent has this work grown that your Committee has thought it wise to appoint one of our number, (Miss Lizzie Briggs, Raleigh, N. C.,) as Band Superintendent, who shall have especial oversight of this branch of our work.

The financial report given below falls somewhat below that rendered last year, but we are persuaded that this indicates no lack of interest or failing liberality on the part of the Societies. In spite of the fact that we have had this year only eleven months—a fact that tells particularly in the Societies' reports, it being their system to contribute month by month—the money contributed has been as large as last year, The apparent falling off, however, is caused by the fact that the boxes to Home Missionaries, counted at their money value in our annual report, owing to the earlier meeting of the Convention had not been sent out. A number of such blessed boxes are now in course of preparation.

In this our Eleventh Annual Report it may be of interest to note that, beginning with only fourteen active Societies ten years ago, there are now more than two hundred and fifty Societies, who have through your committee reported in the last ten years \$31,499.05 to the mission objects of the Convention.

Societies organized				48
Leaflets distributed			6,8	331
Quarterly letters sent out			1,0	75
Other letters			1,	157.
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Contributed as follows:				
Foreign Missions\$	1,230	75		
Christmas Offering	256	28		
Yates Fund	728	72		
T-4-1 f T i- Missions				
Total for Foreign Missions			2,215	75
Home Missions\$	437			
Value of boxes	451	07		
Self-denial	79	48		
Total for Home Missions		\$	967	71
State Missions\$	582	53		
Value of boxes	33	00		
Total for State Missions		— \$	615	53
Orphanage\$	59	18		
Value of boxes	80	92		
Total for Orphanage		- \$	140	IO
Education			15	25
Ministerial Relief			13	25
Expense			~	95
Total		\$	3,967	94

Respectfully submitted,

MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK,

Mrs. J. A. Briggs,

Cor. Secretary.

President.

L. Johnson for the Committee, presented the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In no age of the world, perhaps, has the printing press wielded such a mighty influence as it is doing to day. Periodicals of all kinds are scattered like autumn leaves all over the land. We cannot be too careful as to the kind of literature that finds its way into our homes.

We can heartily recommend the following periodicals:

The Biblical Recorder—whose bugle-call to duty has been heard for more than a half-century, as it has led the Baptist hosts of North Carolina—should find its way into every Baptist home in the State. Never in its history did it do more valiant service than it is doing now. The vigor and sprightliness of its young editor, coupled with a conservatism beyond his years, eminently qualify him for the responsible position he holds.

The North Carolina Baptist is in the field, aiding in the work of building up our Baptist Zion.

It is through *Charity and Children* that we can be informed about the Orphanage work. We cordially recommend it as a means of bringing our people in closer touch with the Orphanage.

The Foreign Mission Journal will be found helpful in keeping the Mission work before our people.

The Sunday School periodicals of the Southern Baptist Convention are worthy of our patronage.

The Wake Forest Student and Seminary Magazine are excellent, and will bring us the news monthly from these honored institutions.

L. Johnson,
J. A. Mundy,
K. Thompson,
A. C. Sherwood,
W. C. Coffey,
W. C. Meadows,
Isaac Oxford.

Committee.

Remarks were made by L. Johnson, of Greensboro; J. A. Mundy, of Reidsville; J. M. Frost, of Nashville, and J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh.

The report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was then read by A. C. Cree, as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Upon the Baptists of no State in the Union is the call of winning the heathen for Christ more urgent than upon the Baptists of North Carolina. God in his wise providence seems to have chosen us as a peculiar people for this work, having called from our ranks so many of his most faithful and blessed servants in foreign fields, thus binding our hearts by special cords of brotherly love to this part of his vineyard. The names of Yates, Bryan, Greene, Tatum, Britton, and many others, are household names in this State—names that should inspire prayer in the heart and prompt service at the hands of every Missionary Baptist in the State: names at whose mention our souls should thrill with Christ's "Go ye into all the world."

Impressed as never before with God's special call to the churches of this Convention to evangelize the people who sit in darkness, we your committee submit the following report:

In the past year there has been a faithful sowing and a glorious harvest. The Lord has gladdened our hearts with encouraging reports from the various fields. New churches have been organized, new fields entered and new forces quickened into life. More conversions, more baptisms, more eager, seeking throngs have been reported this year than in any previous year in the history of our Board, thus testifying to the increased activity of Christ's Spirit—the missionary Spirit—in heathen lands. The cloud is lifted from the ark of the covenant and is moving on toward the time when the kingdoms of this world shall have become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ. God has signalled, "Forward, march!" Shall we march?

The missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention are located in the following fields: China, Africa, Brazil, Mexico, Japan and Italy. This year's report gives us: Missionaries, 86; native helpers, 110; churches, 98; members, 3801; baptisms, 735; contributions from our State Convention, \$5,553.20. It is significant that nearly one-fifth of the members of our churches in foreign lands have been won for Christ and added to our churches in the past year. In China the conditions created by the late war with Japan give us a wider gate and a more open road than heretofore. The Gospel is now welcomed.

In Brazil the spirit of evangelical power is filling the hearts of the people. God is calling, and the Spirit is convincing "of sin and of righteousness, and of judgment to come." No field occupied by our missionaries has been so blessed in the past year with additions to its churches as Brazil. In Mexico our faith has been strengthened and our hopes brightened by glorious reports of great works. Bro. W. P. Cullom, our Japan Missionary reports the best year in his work there. Our Italian work showed more converts last year than ever before. Surely this is God's time to save the heathen, and just as surely God's time

must be our time to strive with greater effort, prayer and consecration to bring the heathen to Christ.

The Board of Foreign Missions needs more men and more money to carry on its work. Therefore, we most heartily recommend that our churches make earnest and untiring efforts to raise this year the \$9,000 apportioned to us as our part of the debt and running expenses of the Foreign Mission work of our Southern Baptist Convention. We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, published by our board at Richmond, as being the valuable current manual on the Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Our pastors and leaders should urge their people to subscribe for it.

For a more detailed report of our Foreign Missions we refer you to the efficient and full report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of this Convention.

A. C. CREE,
T. DIXON,
E. M. TESSIER.
J. F. McDuffie,
A. L. PHIPPS,
W. B. UPCHURCH,
C. H. DURHAM,

Committee,

The subject was discussed by A. C. Cree, John E. Ray, (who read a letter to the Convention from Missionary T. C. Britton), J. W. Carter and R. L. Patton. By request, C. W. Scarborough led the Convention in special prayer for the Foreign Mission work. The body was then addressed by R. J. Willingham, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, of Richmond, Va. The report was adopted.

R. G. Seymour, of Philadelphia, delivered an address upon the work and influence of the American Baptist Publication Society.

E. McK. Goodwin, Superintendent of the North Carolina School for the Deaf and Dumb, Morganton, extended an invitation to the Convention to visit that institution tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of John E. Ray, the Convention accepted the invitation.

The morning session adjourned with benediction by A. E. Dickenson, Richmond, Va.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Convention reassembled at 2:30 o'clock, President Marsh in the chair. W. F. Watson, of Edenton, led in the invocation of divine blessing.

President W. H. Whitsitt of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., addressed the Convention on the history, work and needs of that institution.

A collection in cash and subscriptions, amounting to. \$335, was then taken for the Students' Aid Fund of the Seminary.

J. D. Hufham, Henderson, presented the following resolution which, after remarks by himself, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The opening of the doors of the nations to the preaching of the gospel and the constantly increasing needs of our missions already established in heathen lands require enlarged contributions from the churches at home, therefore

Resolved, That we undertake to raise \$10,000 for Foreign Missions during the present year.

J. F. McDuffie presented the report of the Ministers' Relief Board:

REPORT OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

We, your servants of the Board, beg leave to submit the following report:

I. ITS PAST WORK.

This Board began its work under the auspices of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, May 3, 1890. It has partially supported twenty-four of our old preachers and their families (fifty-eight, including all). These have come from fifteen of our Associations. To these it has appropriated \$2,415, and has invested about \$1,250 in safe hands, well secured, of the Permanent Interest-Bearing Fund, the interest alone of which is appropriated to the beneficiaries and their families.

II. ITS PRESENT CONDITION.

We nave eleven beneficiaries now on the Board. Bro. J. G. Barkley, of Rocky Mount, Tar River Association, and Bro. Jesse Howell, of New

Hill, Raleigh Association (the first beneficiary adopted by the Board), have finished their work and gone home. Great and good men they were, and served their generation faithfully. The Board has still remaining the following: Brethren Combs, Harris, Hughes, Wooten and Lewellen, and Sisters Churchill, Humphries, Phillips, Barlow, Spivy and Register. There are now two applicants awaiting reception.

III. ITS FUTURE OUTLOOK.

The general contributions this year have been better than any since 1892. This is very encouraging to the Board. We have reported from the churches up to November 4, \$606, an increase over 1895 of about \$180. To help the brethren realize the work and bring them in sympathy and touch with the work, we have gotten up a tract, setting forth the object of the work, the reasons why we should be loyal to our old brethren, and our duty to support them in their declining days. We have also sent out with these a statement of facts relative to the work. We believe by a careful study of these any brother can find encouragement to help support this worthy cause by his prayers and means.

Many are the letters of appreciation sent us by the beneficiaries, for the small amount sent them by the Board. We would be glad to send them more if we could, and help them farther if the brethren would give us the means.

Brethren of the Convention, pray for the Board; pray for the old preachers, and then pray for giving grace for yourselves and the work.

W. C. Tyree, President.

J. F. MACDUFFIE, Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

1895	RECEIVED.
Dec. 2.	Balance on hand \$128 59
Dec. 2.	J. W. Couch 1 00
1896	
Feb. 29.	Interest P. I. B. Fund
June 3.	Interest P. I. B. Fund
June 24.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer 260 80
	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer 123 00
Oct. 5.	C. W. P
Oct. 5.	Great Marsh Church
Oct. 26.	Interest P. I. B. Fund
Nov. 10.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer 180 00
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Nov. 10.	Balance on hand\$158 o6

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	Combs	_
	Barkley	
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	. Wooten	-
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	Permanent Interest-Bearing Fund.	
1896	RECEIVED.	
-	Balance on hand	
June 25.	One-third receipts	- S6 93
Oct. 16.	One-third receipts	- 42 00
Nov. 10.	One-third receipts	- 60 00
		\$315 97
Nov. 10.	Balance on hand	
1896	PAID OUT.	
Oct. 5.	Loan	\$250 00
Nov. 10.	Balance	65 97
		\$315 97
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	PERMANENT INTEREST-BEARING FUND INVESTED.	500.00
		500 00
		250 00
	•	1,250 00
		1,230 00

Respectfully submitted, T. E. CHEEK, Treasurer.

We have examined the above report and found it correct.

H. A. REAMS,

JOHN L. MARKHAM,

Auditors.

In the discussion of the report speeches were made by J. F. MacDuffie, John E. Ray, W. C. Tyree, J. D. Hufham.

The report was then received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

W. C. Tyree, for the Committee, made the following

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FRIDAY.

9 A. M.-Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.—Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention.

10:30 A. M.—Orphanage.

11:30 A. M.-Wake Forest College.

7 P. M. - Female University.

8 P. M.-Home Missions.

The President announced the following committees:

On Preachers and Place of Next Meeting.—B. W. Spilman, W. H. Rich, J. H. Lamberth, S. E. Williams, L. R. Pruett, S. Otho Wilson, J. J. Payseur.

To Nominate Committee on Sunday School and Colportage Work (Fifteen Members of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools).—J. M. Hilliard, J. S. Gwaltney, J. H. Walker, J. I. Smith, T. B. Stuart, Z. D. Harrill, J. M. Good.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—J. E. Ray, A. L. Betts, H. M. Croom, James Jordan, J. H. Walker, T. P. Little, H. Sheets.

Committee on Finance.—G. P. Hamrick, W. L. Poteat, C. B. Justice. On Religious Exercises.—Pastor and Deacons of Morganton Church. On Sunday Schools and Colportage.—J. P. Spence, J. S. Allen, G. W. Coppedge, E. McK. Goodwin, J. S. Wray, J. R. Hankins, F. A. Prevatt. On State Missions.—J. B. Richardson, Hight C. Moore, J. W. Bailey, W. R. Bradshaw, W. H. Ollis, J. C. Sorrels, Josiah Elliott.

To Nominate Ministers' Relief Board.—C. W. Blanchard, H. W. Clark, C. E. Gower, J. W. Briggs, J. D. Hufham, J. R. Broughton, M. P. Matheny.

To Nominate Board of Education.—J. B. Boone, P. A. Dunn, J. R. Barkley, C. C. Smith, W. M. Lyles, G. M. Webb, A. C. Irvin.

On Home Missions.—W. F. Watson, C. F. Meserve, J. N. Booth, J. N. Stallings, J. C. Woodward, F. H. Meyer, W. H. Graves.

On Orphanage.—F. P. Hobgood, W. A. Wilkinson, M. E. Parish, J. W. Denmark, C. A. G. Thomas, J. S. White, S. F. Conrad.

On Female University.—James Long, M. E. Parish, E. A. Poe, C. S. Cashwell, J. B. Holman, P. P. Green, H. B. Duffy.

On Obituaries.—W. B. Morton, W. R. Gwaltney, J. B. Richardson, T. E. Skinner, O. C. Horton, T. M. Duncan, J. A. Hoyle.

After announcements, the Convention adjourned, with benediction by W. R. Gwaltney of Wake Forest.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The opening exercises of the evening session were conducted by T. M. Honeycutt, of Mars Hill, who read the 1st Psalm and led in prayer.

The following report on State Missions was presented by J. B. Richardson, Chairman of the Committee:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee feels it only necessary to call attention to certain salient features of our State Mission work.

THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED.

During the year just ended we have had at work on State Mission fields ninety-eight missionaries. The labors of these missionaries have resulted in over 1,600 additions to churches on mission fields. One hundred and sixty-two churches have been in course of erection during the year. Thirty thousand dollars have been contributed by our mission churches for all objects during the year. In view of the conditions which have prevailed, this must be regarded as a remarkable year's work.

The report of the Board of Missions brings to the attention of the Convention the fact that we are now in debt to our missionaries \$2,350..

We would recommend that during the session of this Convention we raise \$500 in cash and pledges, and that the next 30 days be set apart for a special effort to remove this debt, so that the next year's work may not be embarrassed, and that every church connected with the Convention and every Sunday School be asked to make a special collection for this purpose during the next 30 days.

We would also call attention to the excellent results accomplished by the work of co-operation among our colored Baptists and urge upon our pastors the duty of doing what they cau for its continued success.

Your committee also begs leave to suggest to the Convention the fact that, instead of growing less, the need for a vigorous and enlarged State Mission work is greater to-day than ever before in our history. While we do not feel able to recommend a larger basis of operations for next year, we recommend that no backward step be taken and that the State Board of Missions proceed next year on a basis of \$15,000, as this year. COMMITTEE.

Pending the adoption of the report, J. B. Richardson, of High Point, spoke on the "General Work"; W. R. Bradshaw, of North Wilkesboro, on "Western Carolina as a Mission Field"; John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, on "Mission Work Among our Working People"; John E. Ray, of Raleigh, on "Its Success and Possibilities"; Secretary John E. White on "The Needs of the Missionaries of the State Board"; and J. D. Hufham, of Henderson, on "Meeting the Present Emergency."

A collection in cash and pledges, payable in thirty days, amounting to about \$530, was then taken to relieve the State Mission indebtedness.

On motion of H. B. Duffy, of Newbern, the report on Sunday-schools and Colportage was made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The exercises of the evening were then concluded with the benediction by J. B. Boone, of Thomasville.

FRIDAY MORNING.

At 9:30 o'clock, devotional exercises were conducted by W. R. Culloni, who read and commented upon the Parable of the Sower.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A. C. Barron, the new pastor of Tryon Street church, Charlotte; M. E. Parish, new pastor of Salisbury church, and F. H. Meyer, of Salisbury, were recognized and welcomed to the Convention.

The work and claims of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention were presented by J. M.

Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the Board at Nashville, Tenn.

The report on the Orphange, which follows, was presented by F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The general condition of the Orphanage is satisfactory. During the past year the children and officers have enjoyed uniformly good health, and we are satisfied that good work has been done in all departments.

We take pleasure in calling attention to the marked improvements made in *Charity and Children*, both in respect to its mechanical execution and its editorial finish.

The contributions have been liberal, especially in view of the stringency of the times. The present indebtedness for current expenses is \$673.23. This is not discouraging, as it is expected that the collections in this month, especially on Thanksgiving day, will be sufficient to liquidate the debt.

Work on the Central School Building has been pushed as fast as the means permitted. This is now nearly ready for the tinners; and the Superintendent estimates that in addition to the good subscription on hand uncollected, fifteen hundred dollars will be needed to finish and equip the building. It is earnestly hoped that the churches will soon furnish this sum. The completion of this house will increase the capacity for nearly seventy-five more children, will decrease the expenses of the teaching force nearly 25 per cent., and enable the Superintendent to do more efficient work in the education of the children.

F. P. HOBGOOD, For Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Orphanage; W. C. Tyree, of Durham; J. D. Hufham, of Henderson, and N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh.

A collection, amounting to \$583.77, was then taken for the completion and equipment of the Central School Building. The report was adopted.

The report on Wake Forest College was submitted by W. R. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest, as follows:

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, Rev. Thomas H. Pritchard, D. D., one of the oldest members of the Board of Trustees, has left us

and gone to his reward. He dearly loved the College and served in this capacity for more than thirty years, and for two years he was president of the College.

At the last annual meeting of the Board existing vacancies were filled by the election of Rev. R. T. Vann, Rev. John E. White, D. L. Gore, H. B. Duffy, J. F. Spainhour, Hon. W. T. Crawford and Rev. L. Johnson.

The number of students enrolled during last session was 260. During the present session up to date 245 have registered, and others are expected during the fall term. Of those present 57 are preparing to preach the gospel. This promises to be the most successful session in the history of the College.

For the last two years there has been very little sickness among the students, and very little among the citizens of the village. No where in all this Southland can there be found a more healthy locality. All the chairs in the institution are now filled and regular work in every department is carried on.

The great majority of the students are studying faithfully and with great success. The number that is diposed to be idle was never smaller.

Prof. George W. Paschal was elected to succeed Prof. R. W. Haywood as assistant professor in the schools of Latin and Greek, and the work that he is doing is fully meeting the expectation of all who know his record as a student at Wake Forest, and that of his three-years' course in the University of Chicago.

THE SCHOOL OF LAW.

In June, 1893, the Trustees decided to add to the college a school of law. But nothing was done, until the summer of 1894, and only one student attended the summer school of that year.

The catalogue of 1894-'95 shows 14 names.

The summer's school of 1895 was attended by 18 students. The catalogue of 1895-'96 contains the names of 67 law students. The summer school of 1896 had 23., while the next catalogue already shows for the law school 76, representing four States. As to the quality of the work done I need not speak. Suffice it for the present to say, that some of our young men enter some of the leading universities North, putting the law course at Wake Forest against two years there.

The need of a working library has pressed heavily upon the teacher in charge, and he has often felt that his work lost much of its efficiency on that account.

Just in the recent past several friends of the College have presented some law books. Among the number are the Western Publishing Company, S. J. Pemberton, H. B. Parsons, Ray & Bro., N. B. Broughton, the Edward Thompson Company, 30 volumes; Judge Walter Clark, 31 volumes, and Chief Justice Faircloth, 285 volumes. All these books are very valuable works.

SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE.

The new department of Bible Study has been organized in two classes, the Junior class—proficiency in which is required of every applicant for the degree of Bachelor of Arts—and the Senior class which is placed among the elective studies. The Junior class recites three times a week, and will go through the whole Bible during the session. The Senior class will study with more minute care special portions of Scripture. The Bible is the text-book, though others are used along with it.

The School of the Bible has received a warm welcome from the student body, and we believe that under the wise leading of Prof. Cullom it is destined to become very popular. But this new department, starting off so popular and so full of promise, must soon close its work and drop out of the institution, unless some means be speedily raised for its support. During the next three years \$25,000 ought to be raised for the permanent endowment of this chair. The tens of thousands of Baptists in North Carolina who so long desired to see the Bible systematically taught in our College are not willing, after such a hopeful beginning, to see it come to an untimely end.

It seems clear that this Convention ought to take such steps as will secure the continuance of this work.

The Sunday-school, prayer-meetings and all the religious services are well attended, and the monthly missionary meeting, which in the past has inspired so many young men with the spirit of missions and sent them into the Home and Foreign fields, is full of interest and promise.

The endowment of the Royall chair has been practically secured, and if all the notes and pledges are paid when due, it will soon be entirely accomplished.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard is still in the field, faithfully doing agency work, and many are the good results seen following his labors in looking after the general interests of the College.

If our people really knew the great work which their College is doing, and the difficulties and financial embarrassments under which the Faculty and the Trustees are carrying it on, and the possibilities which lie before them were they unhampered, they would put sufficient meaus at their disposal, and would be ever looking forward and providing for its increasing usefulness.

The future outlook of Wake Forest is brighter than ever before, and there never was a time in the history of this country when our religious institutions saw so bright a future. The minds and hearts of the people are turning to Christian education, and soon all sharp competition from secular schools will give place to the voluntary principle in higher education.

High schools for co-education, as feeders to Wake Forest and our

Female college, should be established in many of our Associations. Several such schools have recently been started with flattering prospects. Since writing this report we have learned that at least seventy are preparing boys for Wake Forest College. W. R. GWALTNEY.

Remarks were made by W. R. Gwaltney on the present condition of Wake Forest; Charles A. G. Thomas, of Fayetteville, on the influence of the College; W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest, on the Bible School, and M. L. Kesler, of High Point, on Pastoral Institutes.

On motion of N. B. Broughton, the order of business for this afternoon—Sunday Schools and Colportage—was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Convention then adjourned until 7 P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Convention met at the hour appointed, and devotional exercises were conducted by C. B. Justice, of Rutherfordton, N. C.

The following report of the Committee to nominate the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, presented by John E. Ray, was adopted:

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

J. C. Scarborough, Chairman. John E. White, Cor. Sec.

J. H. Alford, G. M. Allen, J. S. Allen, C. W. Blanchard, J. D. Boushall, S. W. Brewer, N. B. Broughton, A. C. Barron, J. C. Caddell, J. W. Carter, N. B. Cobb, G. J. Dowell, W. C. Douglas, J. C. Ellington, W. R. Gwaltney, F. P. Hobgood, J. N. Holding, E. C. Holleman, C. J. Hunter, W. N. Jones, W. A. Montgomery, J. A. Mundy, John E. Ray, T. E. Skinner, A. M. Simms, B. W. Spilman, H. L. Watson, W. T. Faircloth, J. D. Hufham, H. C. Dockery, C. M. Cooke, W. L. Poteat, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. B. Brewer, J. S. Hardaway, J. P. Wyatt, W. R. Cullom.

Ashe and Alleghany, W. C. Fields; Atlantic, H. B. Duffy; Alexander, J. A. White; Beulah, S. P. Adams; Bladen, W. S. Meekin; Brier Creek, W. A. Myers; Brushy Mountain, R. A. Spainhour; Caldwell, J. V. McCall; Cedar Creek, C. J. Hedgepeth; Central, P. A. Dunu; Catawba River, Samuel Huffman; Cape Fear. E. W. Wooten; Chowan, E.

F. Aydlett; Columbus, J. W. Powell; Eastern, J. L. Stewart; Elkin, J. S. Kilby; Flat River, R. H. Marsh; French Broad, T. M. Honeycutt; Green River, C. B. Justice; King's Mountain, H. F. Schenck; Liberty, James Smith; Little River, J. A. Campbell; Mecklenburg and Cabarrus, T. S. Franklin; Mitchell County, L. H. Green; Montgomery, W. M. Bostick; Mt. Zion, W. C. Tyree; Pee Dee, J. Q. Adams; Piedmont, R. W. Brooks; Pilot Mountain, H. A. Brown; Raleigh, O. L. Stringfield; Robeson, E. K. Procter, Jr.; Sandy Creek, O. T. Edwards; South River, W. C. Barrett; South Fork, J. D. Moore; South Yadkin, J. N. Stallings; Stanley, E. F. Eddings; Tar River, R. G. Kendricks and E. E. Hilliard; Three Forks, W. S. Farthing; Union, H. C. Moore; West Chowan, C. W. Scarboro; Yadkin, J. C. Burrus; Yancey county, J. F. Sams.

A. L. BETTS,
H. M. CROOM,
JAMES JORDAN,
J. H. WALKER,
T. P. LITTLE,
HENRY SHEETS,
Committee.

C. W. Blanchard, of Cary, for the Committee to Nominate Board of Ministerial Relief, read the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee to Nominate Ministerial Relief Board, recommend the following names to compose this Board:

W. C. Tyree, G. J. Dowell, J. F. McDuffie, N. B. Broughton, H. A. Foushee, H. A. Reams, T. E. Cheek, J. L. Markham, J. S. Hardaway, T. H. Street, O. C. Horton.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
M. P. MATHENY,
H. W. CLARKE,
J. W. BRIGGS,
J. D. HUFHAM,
C. E. GOWER,

Committee.

The Report on Baptist Female University was read by James Long, of Goldsboro:

REPORT ON BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

The last report to this Convention stated that the contract to erect the principal building had been let to the North Carolina Car Company at

a cost of \$37,700. Since the last Convention the building has been carried to the third story and paid for—the first story costing \$6,000, the second, \$5,000. The rear portion of the building is ready for the roof timbers. The remaining stories of the main building and the roof on all the building will cost \$10,000.

The Treasurer has in hand between \$800 and \$1,000; notes and subscriptions that will be due by the close of this year, \$5,000; and notes falling due in 1897 and later, \$10,000. The Executive Committee have deemed it wise to carry ou the work only as funds came in to pay the bills. They have refused to endanger the property, already paid for, with a debt. They appeal with confidence to the Baptists of the State to see to it that the work shall be completed at an early date. The great necessity upon this Convention to provide advantages for our young women equal to those we have for our young men is an appeal we can no longer disregard.

The large number of young women now asking for the advantages of such a school appeals with an eloquence that should call forth our best energies.

Great encouragement has been received from the fact that a sentiment has been created which demands hearty struggles and sacrifices on the part of our people to secure at least two hundred thousand dollars for the establishment of this school. Can we not confidently hope that twenty-five men and women may be found who will contribute \$1,000 each? That fifty men and women may be found who will contribute \$500 each? That one hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$100 each? That two hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$50 each? That five hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$50 each? That five hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$100 each?

Our Secretary, O. L. Stringfield, expressed great satisfaction on account of the hearty reception our people have extended to him wherever he has been in the interest of this work, and is more confident than ever that the work will be a grand success, with the enthusiastic co-operation of our pastors and deacons.

From what has been done during the greatest financial depression in thirty years, surely we can trust the Lord that He will provide the means through his servants to bring the work to a glorious success, to the honor of his name.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LONG, E. A. POE, C. S. CASHWELL,

Remarks were made by James Long, S. C. Mitchell, Professor of Latin in Richmond College, and O. L. Stringfield,

Financial Agent of the Female University. The report was then adopted.

W F. Watson, of Edenton, presented the Report on Home Missions.

HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee desires to call special attention to so much of the excellent report of the Board of Missions and Sunday schools, as refers to the work of the Home Mission Board; and would emphasize the fact, that one eighth of all the white churches within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, were established by the Home Board; and that of the 4,743 Baptist churches in the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas and the Indian territory, fully one-half owe their existence and present degree of prosperity to the faithful, untiring efforts of this organization.

It is especially important for North Carolina Baptists to remember, that this Board has rendered efficient service to the denomination in aiding in the establishment and sustenance of churches in the important towns of Edenton, Elizabeth City, Raleigh, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Murphy, Bryson City, Waynesville, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord and other important points, too numerous to mention in this report.

It should be a cause for profound gratitude to God, that, largely under the direction of this Board, the convention, at last, has found the way open leading to a long neglected field which under the co-operative planand the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, is destined to accomplish great things in the training and spirital uplifting of the negro Baptist population of our State.

In view of the past labors of the Board and the ever increasing demands of the work made by the ever-changing conditions confronting the Board in all this Southern land, the Board ventures to ask the convention for the modest sum of \$6,000 for the prosecution of this great work during the next conventional year, which amounts to four cents per capita of our Baptist people.

The committee would recommend that the convention undertake to raise the amount asked for and thus encourage the Board to go forward with the great work committed to its care.

W. F. Watson,

J. N. BOOTH,
J. C. WOODWARD,
F. H. MEYER,
W. H GRAVES,
Committee,

After discussion by W. F. Watson, C. S. Blackwell, of Elizabeth City, and A. C. Barron, of Charlotte, the report was adopted.

The report on Wake Forest College was then adopted. The following report of the Committee to Nominate a Board of Education, offered by J. B. Boone, of Thomasville, was adopted:

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. L. Poteat, W. R. Gwaltney, W. B. Royall, D. W. Allen, C. E. Brewer, J. M. Brewer, J. B. Carlyle, L. Chapell, W. B. Dunn, G. W. Paschal, P. W. Johnson, W. C. Lankford, L. R. Mills, J. B. Powers, F. M. Purefoy, N. Y. Gulley, C. E. Taylor, J. F. Lanneau, John Mitchell. W. R. Cullom, W. A. Montgomery, W. J. Ferrell, J. C. Caddell, A. F. Purefoy, T. E. Holding, J. H. Gorrell, P. F. Sledd, J. C. Fowler.

> J. B. BOONE, P. A. DUNN, J. R. BARKLEY, C. C. SMITH, W. M. LYLES, G. M. WEBB, A. C. IRVIN, Committee.

B. W. Spillman, for Committee on Preachers and Place of Next Meeting, read the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Place and Preachers, recommend that the next Session of the Convention be held with the Baptist Church in Oxford.

To preach the Introductory Sermon: Rev. A. C. Barron, Charlotte, N. C.; Alternate, Rev. A. Cree, Seaboard, N. C.

B. W. SPILMAN, W. H. RICH, J. J. PAYSEUR,

S. OTHO WILSON,

L. R. PRUETT, J. H. LAMBERTH,

Committee.

In behalf of the Committee, W. C. Tyree read the following report on Order of Business:

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises. 10:15 A. M.-Sunday Schools. II:15 A. M.-Ministerial Education. 12:15 P. M.—Obituaries and Miscellaneous Business.

3:00 P. M.—Historical Society.

4 P. M.—Trustees' Report, Finance Report and Miscellaneous Business.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by A. C. Barron, of Charlotte.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The morning prayer-meeting was conducted by J. D. Hufham, of Henderson.

At 10 o'clock President Marsh called the Convention to order.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following telegram was received from the North Carolina students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky:

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY., November 14.

To Baptist State Convention, Morganton, N. C.

Seminary students send greeting. Col. 3:23, 24.

J. D. ROBERTSON. RUFUS WEAVER.

J. Q. Adams, of Wadesboro, was appointed to respond to the telegram. He reported the following answer:

MORGANTON, N. C., November 14, 1896.

J. D. Robertson and Rufus Weaver, Louisville, Ky.:

Greeting received. I Timothy 4:16.

J. Q. Adams,

For Baptist State Convention.

J. M. Hilliard read the report of the Committee to nominate Board on Sunday-school and Colportage work, as follows:

N. B. Broughton, Chairman; A. M. Simms, W. A. Jones, John E. Ray, S. W. Brewer, W. C. Douglas, W. L. Poteat, J. C. Scarborough, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. W. Carter, J. B. Brewer, W. R.

Gwaltney, W. R. Cullom, and John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of State Mission Board, members ex officio.

J. M. HILLIARD, Z. D. HARRELL, J. M. GOODE,

Committee.

On motion of J. D. Hufham, the time of meeting of the next Convention was changed to Thursday night after first Sunday in December, according to the Constitution.

The report on Sunday Schools and Colportage was presented by J. R. Hankins, of Charlotte, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

In a report in the Minutes of 65th annual session of this body, the suggestion is made that there are more Baptist Sunday Schools in this State than churches. Reliable statistics on this subject cannot be had; but the establishment, at our Greensboro session, of a Sunday-school Committee and Missionary will soon enable the Convention to get full and satisfactory reports of this important branch of our work.

The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools report about 400 churches in our Convention without Sunday Schools—about 30 per cent. of the 1,400 Baptist churches in our State. It is the purpose of our Sunday School Missionary to reach these churches and infuse into them a Sunday School spirit.

The Baptist Book Store, which has been an experiment with us for many years, is we believe on a firmer basis than ever before. Its assets over liabilities is \$1,313.23. Some man in each Association is asked to interest himself in behalf of the bookstore with every Sunday-school in his Association. Let the brethren remember that all profits from this bookstore go to increase the contributions to State Missions.

The Sunday School Institutes promise to be an incentive to our Sunday Schools, both in establishing new schools and in energizing those already established. These Institutes should be held in all our Associations.

Very little has been done in colportage. This arises neither from lack of work to be done nor from unimportance of the work, but from the lack of funds. Most that has been done along this line has been the voluntary work of brethren working on their own responsibility.

The Sunday School stands to us in two vital relations. It is the nursery of the church, where the generation that is to follow us can learn the Glad Tidings. 'And it is the arm of the church by which we can

reach out and reclaim new territory for Christ. This work therefore needs our careful thought and our earnest prayers.

J. P. SPENCE,
J. S. ALLEN,
G. W. COPPEDGE,
E. MCK. GOODWIN,
J. S. WRAY,
J. R. HANKINS,
F. A. PREVATT,

Committee.

Remarks by J. R. Hankins, on the influence of this work; N. B. Broughton, on the business of the Baptist Book Store; B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Missionary, on the planting, equipment and improvement of Sunday Schools; and W. R. Gwaltney, on the Colportage Work.

The report was adopted.

S. P. Holton, President of Claremont College, Hickory, was introduced and welcomed to the Convention. B. F. Leith, pastor of the Methodist Church, Morganton, also received recognition by the President of the body.

The report of the Board of Education was presented by John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board.

After speeches by John Mitchell, M. L. Kesler, of High Point, and John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, the report was ordered printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Thirty-six young ministers were aided by the Board of Education during the last session. Ten of these graduated in June.

The maximum aid furnished is nine dollars per month; and this not a gift, but a loan to be returned after five years, without interest.

At the close of the session the Board was in debt \$1,200. In view of this indebtedness, it was thought best to reduce for a while the number of beneficiaries, and so only twenty-four have been received this session. Others will be received later, if the contributions seem to justify it. The indebtedness of the Board has been reduced to \$300. There are more than a dozen applications for aid before us, and we are hoping to be able to receive the most of them at the opening of the Spring Term. It is a source of deep regret that we are not able to help all these poor young

ministers in their noble effort to prepare themselves for the great work to which the Lord has called them. No work of the Convention is more important. None has been more fruitful in good results.

The number of young ministers needing help is greater now than ever before, and the demand for them at home and abroad is great and increasing. Would that we were able to receive all the worthy young ministers who apply.

The following is a brief financial statement:

Current expenses paid up to November 1, 1896—

Notes against the Board -----\$300

ANNUAL ACCOUNT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

DEBITS.

Received of J. D. Boushall, Treas\$2,942 43
Borrowed from Prof. C. E. Brewer 200 00
Borrowed from Prof. W. J. Ferrell
Total . * \$2.242.42

CREDITS.

Bal. due on last year's account	т 17	0	
Due the Secretary	\$3,273	, ,	

The above account (itemized) has been audited and certified, as follows:

"I have carefully examined the above accounts of Rev. Dr. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, beginning December 1, 1895, and ending November 9, 1896, and find them correct and properly vouched, with a balance of thirty-one dollars and fifty-two cents due Secretary.

J. M. Brewer, Auditor."

Respectfully submitted,

John Mitchell,
Cor. Secretary.

W. B. Morton, of Louisburg, offered the report on Obituaries, as follows:

OBITUARIES.

During the last year some of the best and most faithful of God's servants have fallen on the field of battle. Time and space forbid more than a brief mention of names who are worthy of more honor than we can bestow upon their memories.

A minister present in this Convention once preached a sermon which he counted almost worthless; but that sermon resulted in the conversion of George W. Harmon, who became one of God's purest and most faithful and efficient heralds of the Cross. He received his primary education under the instruction of Dr. J. B. Richarson, and his theological training at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served faithfully as pastor at Wadesboro, Old Fort, Marion, Monroe and Weldon, in North Carolina—also in Missouri and South Carolina. The strong Baptist Church in Wadesboro stands and will always stand as a monument to his memory.

Thomas Henderson Pritchard, brother beloved, a prince in our Israel, was with us, apparently full of vigor and with the prospect of years of useful labor, at our last session. Now we miss his genial spirit, his large heart and his eloquent voice; gone forever to the General Assembly and Church of the First-born. We mourn for him gone; we give thanks for him while with us; we hold in our hearts forever the memory of his life and labors, his graces and virtues. He was born in Charlotte, prepared for college in that city and in the town of Mocksville; graduated from Wake Forest College - was pastor at Hertford, Raleigh, Wilmington and Charlotte in this State, and in Petersburg, Baltimore and Louisville; President for several years of the Board of Missions; President for three years of Wake Forest College; Trustee of the College, of the State University and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; associate editor of the BIBLICAL RECORDER—these places he filled for a longer or shorter period, and they attest the honor in which he was held by his brethren. An eloquent preacher, an earnest and industrious pastor, a graceful and vigorous writer, a genial companion, a stedfast friend, he filled a large place in our hearts and in our work. It was meet that his last earthly labors should have been given to the city of his birth and there his ashes rest until the morning of the resurrection.

Rev. E. L. Davis, of Union county, for fifty years a preacher of the gospel, was one of the most earnest and untiring of the faithful. None perhaps are more worthy of honor by this Convention.

Revs. G. S. Best, Jesse Howell, D. C. Murchison, J. H. Caudle, L. W. Sams, S. C. Farthing, J. G. Barkley, E. C. Millon, Edmond Tilley, I. S. Andrews, Haynes Lennon, Jacob Shadd; also brethren A. B. Clements, R. H. Moore, Pinckney Meadows, T. S. Memory, John G. Morgan, A. M. Lewis, Richard Peed and John Meadows. These have all served well their day and generation and are well worthy of a place in our memories.

W. B. MORTON,

For Committee.

Remarks were made by W. B. Morton on G. W. Harmon; W. R. Gwaltney on W. B. Clements; F. P. Hobgood on John J. Meadows; J. D. Hufham, T. E. Skinner,

Josiah Elliott and A. C. Barron upon the life and work of T. H. Pritchard. The report was adopted.

The following resolutions were presented by W. R. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest.

WHEREAS, It is known to many of our people that Bro. S. F. Conrad, in his love and zeal for the cause of the Master in building churches in mission fields has been struggling with a heavy burden of debt contracted in building the churches at Walnut Cove and Ruffin:

And whereas, there is still a debt of \$450 for the Ruffin church, for which Bro. Conrad is personally responsible, and which is now being pressed for collection—

Resolved, That we express for Bro. Conrad our sympathy, and that we heartily commend him to the confidence and liberality of the churches, and ask them to aid him in removing this burden from his shoulders.

The resolution was adopted.

J. D. Hufham offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The prison system of the State classes all convicts together, making no discrimination between young and old criminals—hardened offenders and such as have just entered on a career of crime: therefore,

Resolved, That patriotism, humanity and justice require that there should be discrimination and classification in these things;

Resolved That in the judgment of this body a reformatory for youthful criminals should be established at an early day;

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the Convention be instructed to send copies of these resolutions to the Governor and Governor-elect of North Carolina.

On motion of John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, J. W. Bailey was appointed statistician of the Convention for the coming year at a salary of fifty dollars.

The Convention then adjourned till 4 o'clock with benediction by President Marsh.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Convention was called to order at 4 P. M. by the President.

The following resolution, presented by L. Johnson, of Greensboro, was after remarks by J. W. Gore of Chapel Hill, adopted:

WHEREAS, The State aid to higher education by taxation is wrong, unjust and unwise—a wrong against the whole people, who cannot receive the benefit of such appropriations; unjust to the private and corporate and denominational institutions voluntarily supported; unwise, because the people of North Carolina are now inadequately provided with public schools for their children and need every cent of their taxes that can be spared for this purpose; therefore,

Resolved, That the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina reaffirm its opposition to State aid by taxation to higher education.

The report of the Treasurer of the Convention was presented by John E. White, of Raleigh. It was ordered printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF J. D. BOUSHALL, TREASURER BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM DECEMBER 1, 1895, TO NOVEMBER 9, 1896.

STATE MISSIONS.					
By Balance last report			\$	310	22
Amount received			#	9,461	
To Juo. T. Pullen, Treas. Raleigh Asso.:				<i>,</i> ,	
Amount paid in error\$	7.5	58			
Mrs. C. Durham, salary Rev. C. Dur-	, ,				
ham, November, 1895	70	73			
John C. Scarborough, Acting Corre-					
sponding Secretary	58	54			
N. B. Cobb, salary as Recording Sec.	25	00			
N. B. Broughton, salary as Recording					
Secretary	25	00			
Edwards & Broughton, printing Min-					
utes	40	00			
Amount refunded Beulah Association	52	21			
N. B. Cobb, salary as statistician	16	66			
Portrait of Rev. C. Durham	10	00			
Postage, stationery and lights	45	63			
Rent Mission Rooms	33	34			
Printing	4	75			
Expenses Women's Central Com	27	50			
Paid on account Co-operation Plan	681	97			
John E. White, salary as Cor. Sec,	566	66			
John E. White, traveling expenses as					
Corresponding Secretary	137	25			
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	82	47			
Paid sundry missionaries	8,007	74			
Amount overdrawn				189	37

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By	Amount received Yates Memorial			\$	1,148	02
•	Amount received General Fund				6,244	61
	Amount sent direct				914	00
То	Amount Yates Memorial on hand	\$ 1,148	02			
	Paid Foreign Mission Board	4,934	28			
	Amount sent direct	914	00			
	Mrs. C. Durham, salary and rent due					
	Rev. C. Durham, November, 1895	70	00			
	J. C. Scarborough, Acting Secretary.	29	17			
	Printing Minutes	30	00			
	Rent	8	33			
	Postage, stationery, etc	26	70			
	Printing	4	50			
	Expenses Women's Central Com	55	00			
	John E. White, salary as Cor. Sec	500	00			
	John E. White, traveling expenses as					
	Corresponding Secretary	100	15			
	J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	So	00			
	Balance on hand	406	48			
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		\$ 8,306	03	\$	8,306	03
	HOME MISSIONS					
	lauce last report			\$		15
Ву	amount received				3,226	71
	Amount sent direct				1,124	60
	amount sent direct	\$ 1,124	60			
	J. C. Scarborough, acting Cor. Sec	16	66			
	Printing Minutes	30	00			
	Telegrams, postage, stationery, etc	28	99			
	Rent	33	33			
	Printing	2	00			
	Expenses Women's Central Com	27	50			
	Salary Jno E. White, Cor. Secretary,	183	33			
	Traveling expenses, Jno. E. White,					
	Cor Secretary	25	00			
	Salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	50	83			
	Paid on Co-operation Plan	964	98			
	Paid Home Mission Board	1,678	67			
	Balance	283	56			
		 \$ 4,449	46		4,449	46

EDUCATION.

Balance from last report	\$ 287 11 2,765 95 32 68
Amount contributed to Royal Chair (Wake Forest Endowment) Baptist Female University	\$ 3.085 74 \$ 6,001 36 8,698 56
ORPHANAGE. By amount received	\$ 1,356 o8
Amounts sent direct: Current expenses, Central Building	\$ 1,356 08 \$ 7,083 44 2,492 30 1,210 48 1,395 10
MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND. To balance last report	\$ 657 78
Received interest, etc., by Cheek, Treas., Total	\$ 657 78 84 00 \$ 741 78

BUSINESS OF BAPTIST BOOKSTORE.

Balance last report	\$	4 52
By contributions		20 22
Amount from Colportage		14 76
Donation by S. S. Board, Nashville		500 00
Receipts of store		5,644 23
To paid Mrs. C. Durham, on salary of Rev.		
C. Durham, November, 1895 \$ 4 27		
J. C. Scarborough, Acting Secretary 20 83		
Advertising 20 00		
Printing Minutes 40 00		
A. R. D. Johnson, taking inventory 10 00		
Printing 25 00		
Salary H. L. Watson, clerk 600 00		
" B. W. Spillman, Secretary 525 00		
Rent 75 00		
Cash for merchandise 60 40		
Insurance		
Postage and express 70 81		
Fuel, lights, freight, etc 92 50		
Donations and discounts 139 64		
Paid for Sunday School literature and		
books 4,478 40		
Balance 6 88		
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\$ 6,183 73	\$ =	6,183 73
COLPORTAGE.		
Balance last report	\$	9 75
By amount received		5 01
To paid Baptist Book Store		
\$ 14.76	-	14 76
	=	
CHURCH EXTENSION.		
Recd. of Camden and Currituck Union	\$	64 62
To paid T. B. Pool\$ 40 00	#2	34 32
C. B. Garrett 24 62		
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\$ 64 62	\$	64 62
Amounts expended for church buildings,		
improvements, etc., (estimated)	\$	80,000 00

STUDENTS' AID FUND, LOUISVILLE, KY.

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	8,306 63
	4,449 46
	3,085 74
	6,001 36
	8,698 56
	8,439 52
	2,492 30
	1,395 10
	741 00
	6, 183 73
	14 76
	261 18
	80,064 62
	596 07
	10 601 00
	\$ \$

J. D. BOUSHALL, Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgments in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts, with the various object of the Convention, to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

W. N. JONES, Auditor North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Adams, E. J.. Richmond Hill,
Adams, J. Q., Wadeshoro.
Adams, M. A., Asheville.
Adams, M. A., Asheville.
Adaens, M. H., Venable.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Albritton, J. T., Mt. Olive.
Alderman, J. O., Washington.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman. D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. M., Mars Hill.
Ammons, J. W., Asheville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Annas. J. R. J., Monbo.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, J. H., Rockingham.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Ballard, W. S., Southport.
Ballard, J. L., Doolie.
Bardwin, J. H., Silas Creek.
Barker, W. F., Bud
Barnes, S. D., Boomer.
Barren, A. C., Grade
Barker, W. F., Bud
Barnes, S., Denchetne.
Barrett, W. C., Ora.
Barron, A. C. Charlotte,
Barrett, E. B., Peachland.
Bartlett, G. A., Franklin.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge,
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge,
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Bennett, J. M., Marshville.
Benetts, Allen, Varina.
Belts, Allen, Varina.
Betts, Allen, Varina.
Black, J. A., Richardson's Creek.
Blackburn, S., Crumpler.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, J. G., Rockingham.
Blanchard, C. W., Cary.
Bland, Wm, Hawley's Store.
Blevins, John, Hermitage.

Blevins, B. Absher.
Blevins, E. Blevins
Blevins, C., Hermitage.
Blythe, James, Saluda.
Bobbitt, E. C., Michenor.
Bogart, C. P., Edenton,
Boone, J. B., D. D., Thomasville.
Boone, J. B., D. D., Thomasville.
Boone, J. R., Estatoe.
Booth, J. N., Lumberton,
Bordeaux, A. J., Doughton.
Bostick, W. M., Troy.
Bostick, G. P., Shanghai, China.
Boyd, J. P., Polkton.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradshaw, James, Pendley.
Bradshaw, W. R., North Wilkesboro.
Bridgers, S. A., Forest City.
Bridges, B. M., Lattimore.
Bridges, D. P., Catawba.
Bridges, J. D., New House.
Briggs, H. W., Bald Creek.
Briggs, J. W., Mars Hill.
Briggs, W. M., Briggsville.
Bright, T., Murphy.
Briston, Wm , Guyton.
Britton, T. C., Bethlehem.
Bristow, S. F., Coleraine.
Britt, J. L., Turkey.
Brock, T. J., Acton.
Brooks, C. V., Lemon Springs.
Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
Brown, J. A., Asheville.
Brown, A. E., Asheville.
Brown, A. E., Asheville.
Brown, J. W., Absher.
Brown

Cale, D., Potecasi.
Callahan, N. A., White Hall.
Calhoun, C. L., Medlin.
Calhoun, T. J., Medlin.
Camp T. C., Tusquitee.
Campbell, A. N., Poe's.
Campbell, Neal, Grayson.
Carroll, R. D., Smyrna.
Carroll, S. T., Stony Fork.
Carrick, Thomas, Lexington.
Carswell, Z., Enola
Carter, I. M., Bernice.
Carter, Henry, Garland.
Carter, T. S., Palestine.
Cashwell, C. S. Hickory.
Cashwell, C. S. Hickory.
Cashwell, J., Bladenboro.
Cassiday, W. A., Trail Branch.
Castevens, W. B., Mt. Nebo.
Caudle, A. B., Waxhaw.
Caudle, A. B., Waxhaw.
Caudle, R. T., Charlotte.
Caudle, J. J., Dockery.
Chaffin, M. S., Calahan.
Chambers, S. A., Waynesville.
Chappell, W. Y., Flint.
Chappell, L. N., Wakefield.
Check, F. B., Whitehead.
Church, J. W., Reedy Branch.
Clark, D. J., Register.
Clark, F. P., Dogwood.
Clark, M. L., Muttenz.
Clark, M. L., Muttenz.
Clark, J. J., Silver.
Cobb, N. B., D., Harrell's Store.
Cobb, N. B., D. D., Harrell's Store.
Cobb, T. J., Chadbourn.
Cobb, T. J., Chadbourn.
Cobb, J. W., Lumber Bridge.
Coleman, A., Murphy.
Coley, W. J., Trap Hill.
Cenner, J. Q., Hamptonville,
Compton, M. C. Clyde.
Conner, W. E., Quallatown.
Conrad. S. F., Winston.
Cook, J. H., Lark
Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield
Corn, A. J., Grange.
Corn. Noah, Little Creek.
Coppending, I. N., Blowing Rock.
Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
Cromer, W. E., Quallatown.
Core, A. J., Grange.
Corn. Noah, Little Creek.
Coppending, I. N., Blowing Rock.
Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
Crabtree, A. W., Arlington.
Cree, A., Seaboard.
Cree, A., Seaboard.
Cree, A., C., Wake Forest.
Crephing, I. N., Blowing Rock.
Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
Crabtree, A. W., Arlington.
Cree, A., Seaboard.
Cree, A., C., Wake Forest.
Cropening, I. N., Blowing.
Crook, J. H., Lark
Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield.
Corn, R. W., Globe.
Cross, R. D., Windsor.
Crocker, W. E., Chin Kian, China.
Crumpler, J. C., Hope Mills.
Cullom, W. R., Wake Forest.
Cunningham, H. A., Swain.
Davis W. H., Smithfield.
Davis, A. C., Upionville.
Davis, A. C., Upionville.
Davis, J. F., Polkton.
Dehart, T. S., Swain.

Dennis, J. D., Polk.
Denton, J. R., Dysartsville.
Devin, R. I., Oxford.
Devenny, J. V., Youngsville.
Deweese, E. A., Hanging Dog.
Deweese, I. (Wilcol.) Deweese, E. A., Hanging Dog.
Deweese, L., Out'ook
Deweese, W. W., Burningtown.
Dietz, J. S., Pearson.
Dietz, T. F., Barker.
Dixon, L. R., Goldston.
Dixon, T., Shelby.
Dobson, J. H., Ham.
Dowglas, J. J., Beaufort.
Dowell, G. J., Durham.
Dowell, G. J., Durham.
Dowell, G. J., Pennings.
Driver, R. P., Earpsboro.
Duke, G. M., Mapleville.
Duncan, T. M., Beaver Creek.
Duncan, J. W., Ledger.
Duncan, H. J., Clinton.
Duun, W. C., Balsam Grove.
Durham, C. H., Gastonia.
Earl, J. M., Swain.
Early, D. W., Aulander.
Edmundson, John T., Littleton.
Edwards, A. A., Winnabow.
Edwards, D. D., Morrisville.
Edwards, E. J., Cedar Creek.
Edwards, D. D., Morrisville.
Edwards, W. H., Durham.
Ellier, J. F., Sweet Water.
Ellington, E. P., Wentworth.
Elliott, Josiah, Hertford.
Ensley, W., Dillsboro.
Eudy, G. L., Effid's Mills.
Fant, J. K., Ahoskie.
Farthing, J. H., Hattie.
Farthing, J. H., Bethel Hill.
Foster, J. B., Belcross.
Ferrell, B. S., Waxhaw.
Ferrell, W. A., Bryson City.
Fields, C. F., Elkin.
Finch, G. L., Williamston.
Fisher, J. G., Roslin.
Flooth, T. J., Spring Creek.
Furgerson, P. A., Lambsville.
Fontaine, F. H., Bethel Hill.
Foster, J. A., Wilkesboro.
Franklin, J. K., Devotion.
Frisbie, T. J., Spring Creek.
Furgerson, P. A., Lambsville.
Follord, W. J., Rockingham.
Fuqua, S. W., Eagle Springs.
Galloway, J. E., Galloway.
Gentry, S. E., Dobson.
Gilbert, R. M., Edneyville.
Gilliam, E. R., Drew.
Gilmore, S., Goldston.
Glenn, W. H., Thaxton.
Gildewell, C. W., Meadows.
Goforth, M. A., Big Fine.
Gooden, A. H., Bryantsville.
Gormley, M. A., Bondana.
Gourley, Robert. Winston. Gough, D. A., Bandana.
Gourley, Robert, Winston.
Gower, C. E., Lincolnton.
Graham, H. W.. Swann Station.
Greaves, C. L., Wake Forest.
Gray, W. F., Buck Shoal.
Gray, W. T., Marler.
Green, David, Norris.

Green, J. B., Forest City.
Green, J., Boiling Springs.
Green, G. G., Hamptonville.
Green, C. L., Dark Ridge
Green, C. L., Dark Ridge
Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
Greene, G. M., Bakersville.
Greene, D. A., Bakersville.
Greene, M. L., Ahoskie.
Greene, S. M., Bakersville.
Greindstaff, I., Bakersville.
Greindstaff, I., Bakersville.
Griffin, J. W., Dallas.
Grindstaff, I., Bakersville.
Gwaltney, J. P., York Institute.
Gwaltney, J. S., Cora
Gwaltney, L. P., Vashti.
Gwaltney, J. S., Cora
Gwaltney, L. P., Vashti.
Gwaltney, J. D., Franklinville.
Hackney, J. C., Franklinville.
Hall, J. W., Haye-ville.
Hall, J. W., Haye-ville.
Hall, J. W., Haye-ville.
Hall, J. W., Haye-ville.
Hall, J. W., East Bend.
Hamilton, L. C., Bowman's Bluff.
Hamilton, R. F., Knight.
Hammer, W. H., Lexington.
Hammick, G. P., Henrietta
Hamnick, F. C., Pump.
Hakins, J. R., Charlotte.
Hardman, J. M., Sugar Grove.
Harman, J. M., Sugar Grove.
Harrill, E. J., Eure.
Harrell, R. W., Burgaw.
Harrell, R. W., Burgaw.
Harrell, R. W., Burgaw.
Harrell, R. D., Forest City.
Harrell, E. J., Eure.
Harrington, E. P., Mission.
Harrington, E. P., Mission.
Harris, B. B., Dysartsville.
Harris, D. J., Yanceyville.
Harris, J. M., Hartland.
Harris, W. M., Hartland.
Harris, W. M., Hartland.
Harris, W. M., Hartland.
Harris, J. M., Hartland.
Harris,

Hill, T. B., So. Bap. Theo. Seminary.
Hillard, J. M., High Point.
Hocutt, J. C., Haw River.
Hocut, J. E., Nashville.
Hodze, J. F., Pool.
Hoggard, J. N., Severn.
Hogue, G. F., Boonville.
Holland, G. W., Winston.
Hollar, E., Felts.
Hollar, I., Eupeptic Springs.
Holleman, J. M., Apex.
Hollifield, A. P., Ellenboro.
Honeycutt, G. A., Whitley.
Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill.
Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill.
Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill.
Hooper, G. W., Robbinsville.
Hooper, G. W., Robbinsville.
Hooper, I. W., Tuckaseigee.
Hopkins, W. J., Rock Cut.
Hopper, P. G., Issa
Hord, A. T., Glenwille.
Horner, K. C., Siler City.
Horner, T. J., Henderson.
Horton, O. C., East Durham
Howard, H. H., Bee Log.
Howell, W. T., Wake Forest.
Howell, W. T., Wake Forest.
Howell, J. K., Rocky Mount.
Hoyle, J. A., Maideu.
Hoyle, B. M., Estatoe.
Hudgins, Richard, Pump.
Hudson, T. J., China.
Hutham. J. D., D. D., Henderson.
Hughes, S. A., Valley.
Hulf, W. F., Camp Creek.
Hume, Thos., D. D., L. D., Chapel Hill.
Hunt, A., Gamble's Store.
Hunter, A. D. Cary.
Hurley, A., Bly.
Hutchinson, J. H., Hutchinson's Store.
Irwin, A. C., Pearl.
Isaac, E., Limeback
Ingram, H. M., Pekin.
Jackson, Elbert, Turner, S.
James, R. H., Reuben.
Jamison, Wesley, Bald Creek.
Jenkins, J. T., Morehead City.
Johnson, J. H., Weldon.
Johnson, J. H., Weldon.
Johnson, S. H., Gray's Creek.
Johnson, J. H., Weldon.
Johnson, S. H., Gray's Creek.
Johnson, J. R., Waynesville.
Jones, W. H., Blue Ridge.
Jones, W. J., Estatoe.
Jones, J. R., Waynesville.
Jordan, Y., Osbornsville.
Jordan, Y., Osbornsville.
Jordan, J., Robbinsville.
Kendrick, R. G., Weldon.
Kesler, M. L., Hgh Point.
King, J. D., Wampler.
King R. W., Wampler.
King R. W., Wampler.
King R. W., Wampler.
King R. W., Wallen.
Kent, H. H., Halp Point.
King, J. D., Wallen.
Kent, H. H., Halp

Knight, W. F., Blowing Rock.
Kramer, James W., Wilmington.
Kuykendall, J. A., Leicester.
Knykendall, W. I., Alexander.
Lamberth, J. H., Lexington.
Lancaster, J. F., Oak Ridge.
Lancaster, W. D., Sandy Springs.
Landrum, M. M., M. D., Marion.
Lancaster, W. D., Sandy Springs.
Landrum, M. M., M. D., Marion.
Laning, Jeff, Eldorado.
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Lata, A. T., Monroe.
Lawhon, W. H. H., Lawhon.
Lawwing, J. W., Peachtree.
Leach, M. J., Lassiter.
Leatherman, J. F., Hull's X Roads.
Lee, W. F., Tiptop
Lee, W. M., Snnminit.
Lee, M. L., Ashpole.
Leggatt, B., Windsor.
Leggett, R. J., Howelville.
Leunon, J. P., Freeman.
Lewellyn, J. H., Dobson.
Lewis, C. H., Gamhle's Store.
Lewis, J. L., Laurelton.
Lilly, Edmond, King's Creek
Little, J. W., Lane's Creek
Little, J. W., Lane's Creek
Little, T. P., Marshall.
Littleton, J. W., Palestine.
Livingston, D. K., Little Pine Creek.
Loftis, R. M., East Bend.
Logan, W. H., Ayr.
Long, J. H., Excelsior.
Long, James, Goldsboro.
Loudermilk, D. P., Bridgewater.
Lloyd, L. A., Nashville.
Macounson, M. V., Graham.
Manly, H., Brevard.
Marcus, W. A., Homestead
Marley, H. C., Lenoir.
Marsh, A., Marshville,
Martin, J. L., Lonisville, Ky.
Martin, J. L., Lonisville, Ky.
Martin, J. H., Hamptonville,
Marshburn, A. B., Nealsville,
Marthews, B. H., Morehead City,
Mathews, B. H., Morehead City,
Mathews, N. J., Pilot Mountain.
Matthas, B., Buck Shoal
Mercer, T. J., Bolivia
McClure, W. B., Stanley's Creek,
McDevitt, P., Mars Hill,
McDuffie, J. F., East Durham,
McGinnis, I. J., Banner Elk,
McGunson, J. V., Corest City,
McMillan, D. C., Ashpole,
McChure, W. B., Stanley's Creek,
McDevitt, P., Mars Hill,
McLendon, J. J., Wilkesboro,
McChure, W. B., Stanley's Creek,
McDevitt, P., Mars Hill,
McCharson, J. L., Hendersonvil

Melton, W. H., Kapp's Mill.
Melvin, W. A., Harrell's Store.
Melvin, W. S., Winnie.
Merrell, G. L., Troy.
Metcalf, C. C., Briggsville.
Meyer, F. H., Salisbury
Michael, Ray. Nettle Knob.
Miles, John A., Leicester.
Miller, Daniel I., Highlands
Milliken, C., Ash.
Mints. J. A.. Shallotte.
Mitchell, John, D. D., Wake Forest.
Mitchell, John, D. D., Wake Forest.
Mitchell, S. W., Asheville.
Moffitt, J. I., Stone Mountain.
Montague, E. J., Allensville.
Moore, I. F., Lynch.
Moore, I. F., Lynch.
Moore, I. F., Lynch.
Moore, R. A., Red Springs.
Moore, R. R., Greensboro.
Moore, J. D., Red Springs
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Moore, J. J., Homisy.
Morgan, E. L., Homestead.
Morgan, E. L., Homestead.
Morgan, E. J., Hominy.
Morgan, F. M., Flats.
Morgan, S. J. Morgan Hill.
Morgan, W. C., Robbinsville.
Mortion, D. S., Whitley.
Morton, H., Thomasville.
Morton, W. B., Louisburg.
Morton, W. G., Albemarle,
Moss, N. H., Cherryville,
Mull. W. B., Shoup's Pord.
Mullinox, T. H., Grover.
Mundy, J. A., D. D., Reidsville.
Murchison, C. M., Penelope.
Myers, I. T., So Bap. Theol. Sem.
Myers, W. W., Round Mountain.
Myers, A. E., Round Mountain.
Myers, J. W., Round Mountain.
Myers, J. W., Round Mountain.
Myers, J. W., Round Mountain.
Nelson, C. J., Goldsboro
Nelson, E. R., Hendersonville.
Neston, C. J., Goldsboro
Nelson, E. R., Hendersonville.
Newton, J. B., Aulander.
Newton, J. H., Patterson,
Norris, Isaae, Cruso.
Norris, Isa

Panther, J. P., Quallatown.
Pardew, A. T. Adley.
Paris, T. W., New Castle.
Parish, M. E., Salisbury.
Parish, M. E., Monganton.
Payne, J. M., Blowing Rock.
Payseur, J. J., Concord.
Pendergrass J. R., Franklin.
Perkinson, L. C., Wise.
Pernell, M. R., Franklin.
Peterson, C. D., Dalila
Phillips, John, Beech Creek.
Phillips, Wim, Monnt Airy.
Phillips, Wim, Monnt Airy.
Phillips, Wim, Monnt Airy.
Phillips, Wim, Monnt Airy.
Phillips, J. L., Houck.
Picree, E. S., Bethel Hill.
Pinner, R., Fanst.
Pippin, A. A., Finch.
Pitchford, J. A., Littleton.
Pittman, A. R., Rennert.
Pittman, A. F., C., Rennert.
Pittman, A. F., C., Rennert.
Platt, J. T., Warne.
Plemmons, James, Biltmore.
Plemmons, James, Biltmore.
Plemmons, James, Biltmore.
Plemmons, T. H., Louisville, Ky.
Poe, E. A., Cora.
Pool, C. C., Partee.
Porter, S. J., Newbern.
Pooter, C. W., Ellin City.
Porter, A. H., Orton.
Poston, R., Pearl.
Pootter, W. J., Elk Park.
Pounds, T. A., Archer Lodge.
Powell, J. W., Rocky Monnt.
Prevatt, Jonah, Huntley.
Prewett, N., Knob Creek.
Privette, I. T. Wilkesboro
Proffit, M. S., Mars Hill.
Pruett, L. R., Charlotte.
Privette, I. T., Wikesboro
Proffit, M. S., Mars Hill.
Pruett, L. R., Charlotte.
Privitt, G., Penelope.
Pruitt, Wim., Robbinsville.
Pugh, J. M., Randleman
Purefoy, A. F., Wake Forest.
Pulliam, J. G., Lenoir.
Patnam, J. W., Magnetic City.
Queen, J. H., Bryson City.
Queen, J. H., Bryson City.
Queen, J. A., Table Rock.
Reddish, W. H., So. Bap. Theol. Sem.
Redwine, J. F., Fork Chnrch.
Reece, J. N., Galloway.
Reed, T. M., Lineback.
Reddy, E. W., Crnmpler.
Reewell, J. F., Pork Chnrch.
Redwine, J. F., Fork Chnrch.
Redwine, J. F., Leathe

Royall, W. B., D. D., Wake Forest.
Royal, Frank M., Chin Kian, China.
Royal, R., Kelly.
Sales, J. Mt. Tabor.
sanderlin, G. W., LL D., Washington, D. C.
Sandling, R. C., Clinton.
Sannders, B., Lilesville.
Sannders, Samuel, Mun freesboro.
Savage, W. V., Tarboro.
Scarborough, C. W., Murfreesboro.
Scott, J. H., Raleigh.
Seagraves, W. M., Jonesville.
Sears D. R., Siler City.
Segle, L. M., Spring Creek.
Sellers, Lorenzo, Supply.
Sentell, R. A., Sonoma.
Settle, J. F., Byrd.
Settlemyre, G. W., Old Fort.
Setzer, A. W., Wake Forest.
Shaver, J. M., Dealville.
Sheets, Henry, Lexington.
Shell, P. J., Plum Tree.
Shell, J. T., Petra Mills.
Shell, L. C., Jonas Ridge.
Shelly, N. A., Burgaw.
Shepherd, J. J., Brindletown.
Sherrill, T. C., Jumbo.
Sherwood, J. J. L., Yerger.
Shnmate, Jas., Sparta.
Silver, Thomas, Micaville.
Simmons, S. F., Jonesville.
Simmons, S. F., Jonesville.
Simmons, S. H., Do, D., Raleigh.
Skinner, T. E., D. D., Raleigh.
Skinner, T. E., D. D., Raleigh.
Skinner, T. E., So. Bap Theo. Seminary.
Smith, J. L., Sier City.
Smith, J. L., Sier City.
Smith, J. L., Sier City.
Smith, M. A., West Durham.
Soles, J., Mount Tabor.
Sorrells, J. C., Nealsville.
Sorrell, W. M., Cary.
Sonthern, W. P., Asheville.
Sparks, J. C., Bakersville.
Speight, T. T., D. J., Lewiston.
Spence, J. P., Kinston.
Spence, J. P., Kinston.
Spence, J. P., Kinston.
Spilman, B. W., Raleigh.
Sprinkle, A. J., Peek.
Stallings, J. N., D. D., Mocksville.
Stallings, J. N., D. D., D., Mocksville.
Stallings, J. N., D. D., D., Lewiston.
Stephenson, —, Raleigh.
Stamey, A. Bliss.
Stamey, A. Bliss.
Stamey, A. A., Lumberton.
Stoker, A. P., Denton.
Stoker, A. P

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